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PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
Seventeenth Annual Meeting

HELD AT  
WESLEY METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
OCTOBER 19-26, 1898.

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THE Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Wesley Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Wednesday afternoon, October 19th, at two o'clock.

At each previous Annual Meeting our Society has been welcomed into churches whose choicest decoration was our national flag, in recognition of the fact that its field of operation is our own land; but never before did the sight of our country's emblem stir such emotions as at this time, when, at the end of a successful war—undertaken for God and humanity—we prepare to celebrate our "peace jubilee."

The President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, presented Mrs. Bishop Joyce, whom she announced as in charge of the opening devotional exercises.

The hymn "America" was sung, and passages were read from the Book of Psalms and the Gospel According to St. Matthew. Two stanzas of "Jesus, Lover of my soul," were sung, after which Mrs. Louise Elstner Fisher, of Minneapolis, led in prayer, giving devout thanks for the open doors before the women of the Church, and asking most earnestly that they might have the enduement of power and the spirit of love and ministry manifested in the life of the Christ, the Incarnate Son of God.

Hymn 896 was sung, and at its conclusion Mrs. Fisk called to the platform all who were to take part in the exercises of the afternoon. Mrs. F. A. Aiken, the Recording Secretary, invited the Vice-Presidents, the Honorary Vice-Presidents, the Board of Trustees, and the Advisory Board to take their usual places, the roll of Conferences was called, and the delegations seated.

Mrs. Aiken nominated the following ladies as Assistant Secretaries:

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Lima, O.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Miss Martha Van Marter, East Orange, N. J.; and Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y. On motion, they were confirmed.

The Address of Welcome to the homes of Minneapolis was most delightfully given by Mrs. Matt. S. Hughes, who briefly reviewed the work of the Society, and gave a most generous welcome for our work's sake.

Rev. Jabez Brooks, in behalf of Wesley Church, assured the ladies that its welcome was neither denominational nor official, but that it was the habit of its official body to permit its use by every organization whose efforts were directed to human progress, civilization, or righteousness, and that he was glad to welcome this, one of the most successful organizations for Christian and philanthropic work.

In introducing the Rev. J. F. Chaffee, D. D., Mrs. Fisk referred to his long service in the chief council of the Church—the General Conference. Dr. Chaffee said since Adam so gallantly welcomed Eve, not knowing what she might prove to be, it had always been man's privilege to welcome woman, whether she came singly or by the hundred. He welcomed the representatives of the Society, not as women simply, but as Christian women, whose uplifting work began at the foundations. In looking over the program, he had rejoiced in our methods of reviewing the work, and regretted that the brethren had not yet caught the spirit of so complete a survey of their work, and recommended that if they desired to know anything, that they ask it in silence at home.

On behalf of Mayor Pratt, Mr. L. B. Love, Acting Mayor, extended the courtesies of the city, offering the use of carriages, and adding that anything that would make the stay of the ladies in the city more enjoyable would be theirs for the asking.

In response to these addresses of welcome, Mrs. T. J. Everett, of Massachusetts, said the delegates had left their States, and Churches, and homes, and after traversing many States, with dust upon their garments and in their throats, the word welcome had a special charm. Here they were invited to share all, and for their work's sake they felt free to accept all. She believed that, in the larger development of our work, which must follow the recent national enlargement, He who of old gave the pillar of cloud by day and fire by night to guide his people, would add wisdom to our counsels, courage and faith to our plans, and harmony to our discussions.

Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, Government teacher at Unalaska, Alaska, but who has been intimately connected with the Jesse Lee Memorial Home, was introduced, and, after giving a brief outline of the work there, and its beneficent influence over delayed travelers at this entrance to the gold regions, as well as the people of that section of the country, she presented six Alaskan children, who had been educated in the Home, and who were now on their way to Carlisle, Pa., to enter the Government school for Indians.

The hymn, "What a Friend we have in Jesus," was very sweetly sung by the children.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, briefly addressed the Convention, congratulating the Society upon the success of the past year, and the fact that neither financial stress nor unsatisfactory results had ever obliged the Society to abandon a field it had entered. She expressed the opinion, and called upon Mrs. Joyce to verify it from her experience in the foreign mission work, that if so much had been accomplished in the work of these sister Societies by the small proportion of the women of the Church who were connected with them, that all things were possible with the help of every woman in the Church. She recalled the fact that one of her first official duties was in Wesley Church, at the meeting of the Board of Bishops, to ask the privilege of reopening the work in Unalaska, and desired, in this connection, to present Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, the Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, who was most cordially greeted.

A vocal solo, "The Lord is my light and my salvation," was delightfully rendered by Miss Maud Lambert.

The Standing Committees were constituted, as follows:

*Credentials.*—Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Mrs. E. B. Green, and Mrs. T. J. Everett.

*Enrollment.*—Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. A. Bramley, and Miss Mary S. Pegram.

*Courtesies.*—Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, with power to add to the Committee.

*Resolutions.*—Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. I. L. Hunt, and Mrs. W. T. Brown.

*Place of Meeting.*—Mrs. J. E. Jacklin, Mrs. Charles Olney, Mrs. M. B. Gardner, Mrs. L. P. Williams, and Mrs. Helen Coffin Beedy.

*By-laws.*—Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. T. J. Everett, Mrs. H. H. Reed, Mrs. Clara L. Roach, and Mrs. Joel M. Leonard.

*Church Press.*—Miss Martha Van Marter.

*Local Press.*—Mrs. E. L. Albright.

Mrs. Aiken submitted the printed program and order of business for the Convention, which was approved.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, the following ladies were appointed to receive subscriptions for *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*: Mrs. F. A. Arter and Mrs. E. W. Simpson.

The reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer were deferred, awaiting the arrival of Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Williams, and, by consent, the Auditor's report was also deferred.

On motion of Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. D. L. Williams was made Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations.

Committees from Chicago, St. Paul, and Minneapolis Preachers' Associations presented a call for members of the Society to represent the work in the pulpits of these cities on next Sabbath and the Sabbath following adjournment.

A cordial greeting was then given Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. James Dale, and Mrs. I. D. Jones, as they appeared upon the platform.

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Railroad Secretary, gave notice that all railroad certificates should be in her hands before Friday, in order to secure reduced rates.

Announcements were made, the doxology was sung, and the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M., with the benediction by the Rev. J. F. Chaffee, D. D.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, called the meeting to order at 7.30 o'clock. "How firm a foundation" was sung. Mrs. John Taylor, Corresponding Secretary for the Minnesota Conference, read selections from the Sixty-seventh Psalm, and Mrs. Clara L. Roach led in prayer. Mr. Oscar Seagle sang with fine effect an exquisite solo, "Teach me to pray."

The Minutes of the opening session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Immigrants was read by Mrs. J. W. Campbell. Regret was expressed that the health of the efficient Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Mansfield, would not permit her presence at this meeting, and, on motion of Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Campbell was requested to convey to her an expression of our affectionate remembrance and appreciation of her work.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The Address on Immigrant Work, by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, which was to follow the report of the Bureau for Immigrants, was not heard, on account of the enforced absence of Mrs. Park, because of illness in her family. The President, Mrs. Fisk, gave an informal talk, telling of her visits to the Immigrant Homes, and speaking of them in their location as sustaining the same relation to the steamer piers as the pulpit sustains to the aisles of the church.

On motion of Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. Aiken was requested to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Park.

The report of the Committee on Glenn Home, Cincinnati, Ohio, was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. I. D. Jones. Mrs. Fisk called out the fact from Mrs. Jones that a gentleman had given the rent of a building for a free kindergarten, because he realized from a business standpoint the good effect it would have upon the neighborhood in which it was located. Mrs. Jones rejoiced in the fact that Glenn Home is entirely out of debt, the house renovated from attic to cellar, and every room occupied with missionaries and workers, or young women who have sought the shelter of a Christian home during their sojourn in the city.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The President, Mrs. Fisk, gave an impromptu address, speaking strong words for the Society in its various departments of work, and making special mention of her visit to eleven Industrial Homes in the South, in which there was an aggregate of two hundred and fifty girls. She had asked each girl "what influences had brought them into a Christian life," and the two hundred and forty-nine Christian girls testified as to the influences of the Homes brought to bear upon their lives in daily association with our consecrated missionaries and faithful teachers.

The President stated that she greatly wished to meet each delegate and member of the Convention, and take them by the hand.

After singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," the meeting adjourned until Thursday morning at nine o'clock, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Jabez Brooks.

#### THURSDAY MORNING.

THE session opened at nine o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. H. J. Crist, of the Southern California Conference. After singing "What a Friend we have in Jesus," Mrs. Crist read Philippians iv, and led in prayer. "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung, and Mrs. Crist conveyed greetings from her sister workers on the Pacific Coast.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The Publisher's report of *Children's Home Missions* was given by Miss Mary Belle Evans, and the Editor's by Miss Van Marter. A discussion followed, participated in by Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Roach, Mrs. L. P. Williams, and others.

On motion, the reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

The report of the Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions* was then submitted by Miss Evans, who exhibited a balance of over \$600 in the treasury, but a falling off of 1,500 subscribers. A discussion followed, participated in by Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Beedy, and others, at the conclusion of which the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Albright presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions* send a communication to the Conference Corresponding Secretaries of such Conferences as show a decrease in number of subscribers, stating the decrease, and urging special effort to increase the number.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*, read one of her unique reports, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, a Committee of six ladies, to consider the interests of the *Woman's Home Missions*, was ap-



pointed, consisting of Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, and Mrs. F. A. Arter.

The report of the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*, Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Chairman, was offered in her absence by Mrs. Robinson, who spoke forcibly to certain points. A discussion followed at length, in which many ladies took part.

A recommendation that subscriptions be carried over two months in case of non-renewal, was lost.

A second recommendation, that subscribers be notified by postal card upon failure to renew, was adopted, after which the report, as a whole, was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Albright was asked to convey to Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, author of *Historical Sketches in Woman's Home Missions*, who is detained from this meeting by illness, an expression of our sympathy and hearty appreciation of the excellent work she is doing for our Society.

On motion by Mrs. G. H. Thompson, the question of publishing the Treasurer's Report in detail in *Woman's Home Missions* was considered. After discussion, Mrs. Thompson moved the discontinuance of detailed report in the paper. It was so ordered.

It was moved by Mrs. Rust, that a quarterly summary be published by the Treasurer. This matter was referred to the Special Committee of six on *Woman's Home Missions*.

By request of Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. G. S. Couch led in singing two stanzas of "O, come and dwell in me, Spirit of Power Divine."

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Transportation, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. B. Green moved that each certificate-holder pay ten cents into the treasury, to defray expenses of the Railroad Agent, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, the Treasurer, arrived at this point, and was presented to the Convention, and heartily greeted.

Mrs. Fisk read a request from the pastor of Lake Avenue Church, Minneapolis, for a lady to represent the cause of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at his prayer-meeting this evening.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. I. D. Jones was appointed.

The report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise, Mrs. Richard Dymond, Chairman, was read by Mrs. Aiken, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Alsbaugh read a letter, stating that \$4,000 had been accepted by the Upper Iowa Conference in trust, the income of which may be used in training young women for deaconess service.

Mrs. Rust, referring to the matter, made a brief explanation concerning the Annuity plan in our Society.

Mrs. Crist gave an excellent report of the work of the Southern California Conference, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

At twelve o'clock M., Mrs. J. W. Campbell took charge of the devotional hour, which was a service of great sweetness and power. The thought pressed home was, "obeying the voice of the Spirit," and none could fail to feel that it was indeed "good to be there."

On motion, the Convention adjourned until two o'clock in the afternoon.

After the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., of Washington, D. C.

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#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention opened at two o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. A. D. Knapp, who read a selection from the third chapter of Joshua; after which prayer was offered by Miss Van Marter, and two stanzas of "Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee," were sung.

Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, presented the following ministers, who were introduced to the Convention by Mrs. Fisk: the Revs. Matt. S. Hughes, C. B. Mitchell, J. B. Hingeley, F. B. Cowgill, F. A. Riggan, and W. A. Shannon.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman said that Mrs. J. F. Creighton, National President of the White Cross Society of America, was in the house, and moved that this noble worker be allowed to speak for five minutes. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Creighton spoke enthusiastically of the work done by the White Cross Society on the Pacific Coast, and stated that its object is to secure help for the wives of deceased soldiers, to arrange for the burial of soldiers at their homes, to provide nurses, hospital supplies, and go to the front as duty calls.

Mrs. Newman stated that Mrs. Creighton wished to secure the names of the General Officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society as an indorsement of the White Cross movement. On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, this request was granted.

The following telegram was received from Mrs. C. W. Kinsey, President of the California Conference Society: "Greetings from California Conference. Read Hebrews x, 24, 25."

The passages were read by Mrs. Potter, and Mrs. Aiken was instructed to send reply.

Mrs. Rust stated that since the reading of the report of the Committee

on Bequest and Devise, a bequest had come to her from the estate of Mrs. Emily E. Averill, of Minnesota Conference.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, was submitted, and adopted by a rising vote and thanksgiving spirit. (See Report.)

Mrs. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Conference Treasurers in such Conferences as have Deaconess Homes be instructed to send the entire amount of membership dues to the General Treasurer, indicating the sum to be returned to the Deaconess Home as half dues.

Mrs. G. H. Thompson read the report of the Auditing Committee for the fiscal year, which was adopted. (See Report.)

Master Couch sang very beautifully a solo, entitled, "The Holy City."

Mrs. Aiken moved that the children who are here from the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska be invited to be present on Saturday morning, and sing for the pleasure of the children of this city who may be in attendance. Carried.

On motion, adjourned until 7.30 o'clock in the evening.

After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

#### THURSDAY EVENING.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson, of Omaha, delegate from the North Nebraska Conference, read the Ninety-eighth Psalm. Two stanzas of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," were sung, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Isabella Spurlock.

The choir of Wesley Church rendered a beautiful anthem.

Mrs. E. B. Green read the Minutes of the previous session, which were corrected and adopted.

The report of our honored Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, was read with God-given strength and enthusiasm for this inspiring occasion, and listened to with intense interest and a feeling of profound gratitude to God for sparing the life consecrated to advancing the general interests of our Society.

This report was a comprehensive *résumé* of the work accomplished during the year, and a forecast of the broadening fields of labor, with a retrospect of the trials and triumphs of our Society, so signally blessed of God.

The recommendations involving finance were, on motion, referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

The recommendation with reference to Arbitration was referred to

a Special Committee, consisting of Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. McCabe, and Mrs. Rust.

The report was then, on motion of Mrs. Potter, adopted unanimously by a rising vote. (See Report.)

The quartet choir rendered, with fine effect, "Nearer, my God to Thee."

A warm greeting was accorded the Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, whose late visit to this field of work invested the report presented with additional interest.

The appended list of pledges was made for the salary of missionaries in Jesse Lee Home by Conferences named: Central Pennsylvania, \$50; Troy, \$50; Baltimore, \$100; and Illinois, \$75.

Scholarships were pledged as follows, by Conferences: New Jersey, \$20; New Hampshire, \$50; Baltimore, \$300; Newark, \$50; Cincinnati, \$50; East Ohio, \$50; Central Ohio, \$100; Wyoming, \$50; Erie, \$50; New England, \$50; Iowa, \$50; Northwest Iowa, \$50; North Indiana, \$50; New England Southern, \$50; Wilmington, \$50; Genesee, \$100; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; and Minnesota, \$200.

Miss Mellor, Government teacher at Unalaska, Alaska, and missionary in spirit for our work, held the interest of the large audience by a vivid picture of this field of work, one of the Aleutian Islands, one thousand two hundred miles from Sitka. She spoke of the native Aleuts as akin to the Japanese and unlike the Indians. She described the appearance and characteristics of the natives, and said that in the past they had subsisted by hunting and fishing; but now they needed education to enable them to labor for the Americans, who have established commercial stations upon the islands, and employ the natives in lading and unlading.

In speaking of the gold-seekers, Miss Mellor said that last spring two hundred miners were obliged to remain on the island two months, waiting for the ice to break up, in order that they might reach St. Michaels. They were discouraged and deeply troubled, and the missionaries were able to do a great work for them, and the ministrations of Jesse Lee Home were eagerly sought. The men were so anxious for services that many extra ones were held, and Miss Mellor was obliged to fill the pulpit herself. She represented the special need of our mission as a Hospital, and in response to an earnest plea by Mrs. Beiler, the following conditional pledges were made by Conferences: Philadelphia, \$300; Upper Iowa, \$55; Northwest Indiana, \$25; Central New York, \$50; New England, \$50; West Wisconsin, \$25; New England Southern, \$25; North Nebraska, \$50; New York East, \$50; North Ohio, \$25; Wisconsin, \$5; Indiana, \$5; Cincinnati, \$5; East Ohio, \$5; Central Ohio, \$5; Northern New York, \$5; Nebraska, \$5; Iowa, \$5; North Indiana, \$5; St. Louis, \$5; Rock River, \$5; South Carolina, \$5; Maine, \$5; Newark, \$5; First Church, Orange, N. J., \$5; Baltimore, \$200; Fayette Street, Baltimore, Circle, \$5; Minnesota, \$60; Wesley Church Queen Esther Circle, \$5; St. Cloud Junior League, \$5; Chester Avenue, St. Paul, \$5; Michigan,

\$25; Auxiliary, Albion, \$5; New York, \$25; Park Avenue Circle, New York, \$5; Troy, \$55; Young Ladies, Cohoes, New York, \$5; Genesee, \$50; First Church, Rochester, Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Frank Street, Rochester, Circle, \$5; Wyoming, \$50; First Church Circle, Wilkes Barre, \$5; Detroit, \$10; Cass Avenue Circle, Detroit, \$5; Pittsburg, \$30, including \$25 for Young People; Northwest Iowa, \$5; Northwest Iowa Circles, \$5; First Church, Topeka, \$10; Bancroft-Robinson Circle, \$5; Nettie Gardner Circle, \$5; Harriet McCabe Circle, \$5; Kingsley Mission, \$5. Personal pledges: Miss Iva May Durham, \$10; Mrs. C. M. Van Anda, \$10; Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, \$10; Mrs. G. F. Reynolds, \$5; Mrs. Phebe Graham, \$5; Mrs. E. L. Albright, \$5; Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, \$5; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, \$5; Mrs. J. O. Peck, \$5; Mrs. W. C. Herron, \$5; Mrs. James Dale, \$5; Miss Sarah Moore, \$5; Mrs. J. A. Johnson, \$5.

On motion, an expression of gratitude was extended Miss Mellor, and the report of the Bureau for Alaska was adopted. (See Report.)

Two stanzas of "How firm a foundation" were sung, and the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Friday morning.

The Rev. Levi Hall, D. D., pronounced the benediction.

#### FRIDAY MORNING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the session opened with the singing of the hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I glory."

Mrs. Della C. Geggie, of Duluth, Minnesota, in charge of the devotional exercises, read for the Scripture lesson two verses of the first chapter of Genesis, and asked that the ladies repeat the First Psalm in unison, and then led in prayer. "More love, to thee, O Christ," was sung, after which prayer for Divine light and guidance was offered by a number of ladies.

On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, the Convention adjourned, to reassemble as the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

This Committee arose at 10.40 o'clock, and Mrs. Fisk resumed the chair.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. George H. Thompson and Mrs. J. E. L. Baker requested permission to withdraw from the Committee on Resolutions. Granted.

Mrs. J. A. Lantry and Mrs. Angie F. Newman were, on motion, appointed in their place.

The report of the Bureau for West Southern States was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Arter.

The following pledges were made for the salary of missionaries: East Ohio Conference, for Adeline Smith Home, \$40; for Italian work, New Orleans, La., \$40.

For scholarships for Adeline Smith Home: East Ohio Conference, \$120; and Michigan, \$80.

For scholarships for Italian work by Conferences: East Ohio, \$40; Illinois, \$25; Wyoming, \$25; and Detroit, \$30.

For furnishings, by Conferences: Illinois, \$25; and Indiana, \$5.

Personal pledges: Mrs. Fisk, \$10; Mrs. Pearce, \$10; Mrs. Arter, \$7; Mrs. Williams, \$7; smaller sums, amounting to \$13.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In submitting the report of the Bureau for Texas, the Secretary, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, said that she had been admonished, after personally visiting King Home, to preserve her enthusiasm for the Annual Meeting, but enthusiasm born of truth is not evanescent, and so much as might be compressed into a brief report remained with her.

The following pledges were made for scholarships at King Home: Iowa Conference, \$120; and Northwest Iowa Conference, \$40.

For furnishings: Upper Iowa Conference, \$50; and Mrs. L. E. Haw, \$50.

For purchase of land: New York East Conference, \$50; Iowa, \$50; Detroit, \$20; Erie, \$25; Wilmington, \$25; New England Southern, \$25; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conferences, \$50; and Topeka, \$25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, New York, was given by the Chairman, Mrs. F. C. Morgan. After the appended pledges were made, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Scholarships by Conferences: New York, \$750; Baltimore, \$150; Newark, \$50; Troy, \$50; New England, \$50; Northern New York, \$30; Central Pennsylvania, \$50; and New Hampshire, \$10.

For heating: Newark Conference, \$50; New England, \$60; New Jersey, \$20; Mrs. Arter, \$25; and Mrs. Weed, \$25.

After the presentation of the report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), by Mrs. E. W. Simpson Secretary, Miss Sarah Moore, our faithful missionary among the Apache Indians, spoke of the beginning of the work ten years ago in a log cabin among this people, with only one pupil. The work has grown, and a school has increased to the limits of its accommodations. She said that the schools are in the nature of training-schools, where girls are taught the domestic industries and the proper care of home, which fit them for lives of usefulness among their own people.

Following is the list of pledges for Indian work in New Mexico: Illinois Conference, \$25; East Ohio, \$40; New England, \$10; Northern New York, \$5; North Indiana, \$10; Mrs. Baker, \$5; and First Church, Topeka, \$10.

Scholarship pledge: Troy Conference, \$40.

For Navajos: New York Conference, \$25; and Detroit, \$10.

Scholarship: Newark Conference, \$40.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. H. J. Crist presented a letter of greeting from the Pacific Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, on motion, Mrs. Fisk and Mrs. Crist were appointed a Committee to make suitable reply.

An invitation was received, and accepted with thanks, to attend a reception Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. H. G. Harrison.

On motion of Mrs. Albright, Mrs. Aiken and Mrs. C. C. McCabe were appointed to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., who was detained at home by the illness of her husband.

Mrs. Woodcock, on motion, was appointed to send greeting to Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, Corresponding Secretary of the West Texas Conference, and Mrs. D. M. Walker, Corresponding Secretary of the Louisiana Conference, who were not permitted to be present.

Mrs. Rust requested that greetings be sent Mrs. H. M. Teller, who was unavoidably detained, and it was unanimously voted.

The time having arrived for the devotional hour, Mrs. W. B. Pope asked that the ladies unite in singing Hymn No. 896, after which she read a portion of the twelfth chapter of the Gospel of John. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Roach, followed by Mrs. Pope's reference to additional passages from St. John, covering the period from the raising of Lazarus to the coming of those "who would see Jesus." The exercises closed with the singing of a few stanzas of the hymns, "When all thy mercies, O my God, my rising soul surveys," and "My Jesus, as thou wilt."

The announcement of pulpit supplies for the Sabbath was made by Mrs. R. H. Young, and an invitation to visit the Florence Crittenton Home received, and accepted.

On motion, adjourned until two o'clock.

After the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. F. A. Riffin, Superintendent of the North Montana Mission.

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#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

AT two o'clock the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and "Forever here my rest shall be" was sung. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. Frances S. Bates, of Middletown, Ohio, delegate of Cincinnati Conference. After singing Hymn 786, and reading the Ninety-first Psalm, Mrs. Beedy, of Maine, led in prayer. One verse of the first hymn was sung.

Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, was invited to escort Bishop Joyce to the platform. The Bishop was introduced, and at the close of his all too few words, said that there never was a time when God needed consecrated workers more than now. God is solving his problems through the efforts of devoted men and women. He hoped that in the coming day multitudinous thousands would rise up and call this Society blessed.

Then followed the introduction of Mrs. Bishop Joyce and Mrs. Bishop McCabe by the President.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work was listened to with intense interest as it was given by the Secretary, Mrs. H. C. McCabe. The following pledges were made for Stickney Home, by Conferences: Illinois, \$40; Iowa, \$40; Northwest Iowa, \$40; Upper Iowa, \$25; New York, \$20; Troy, \$20; New England, \$40; Genesee, \$40; Erie, \$40; New Castle District, \$40; Michigan, \$40; Central Ohio, \$100; East Ohio, \$40; and Cincinnati, \$25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson moved that the Rev. F. A. Riggan, Superintendent of the North Montana Mission, be granted a few moments in which to speak of the needs of the work of our Society in his territory. Mr. Riggan was introduced, and spoke, earnestly urging that we open some line of work in Montana, saying that the friends there would do as much to support it as is done by any locality.

Mrs. Robinson offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

*Resolved*, That our Woman's Home Missionary Society take up work in Montana, and that a Model Home be established at Helena, Montana, to be erected on the campus of the Montana Wesleyan University.

*Resolved*, Further: That we appropriate \$500 for the support of one trained nurse deaconess and one visiting deaconess, to go as directed by the Conference and Mission Board of Control, and to assist in the inauguration of the work.

Mrs. P. L. Bennett pledged \$50 for this work.

Mrs. D. L. Williams presented a letter from Mrs. Emily C. Miller, our missionary to the Yakima Indians at Fort Simcoe, Washington, saying that "the appeal in October number of *Woman's Home Missions* for a missionary to go to Hawaii touches my heart in a very special manner; and I send ten dollars toward tilling that field. I feel that I must use the Lord's tenth of my income, not for my own Church, nor even in my own mission field, but to extend his kingdom somewhere." Mrs. Robinson spoke for the Hawaiian work, saying that she had known that if we could get \$350 we could send a Japanese worker to Hawaii; now we would need to secure only \$340.

Pledges for opening work in Hawaii were made as follows, in addition to \$10 by Mrs. Miller: Mrs. E. W. Simpson, \$5; Miss L. M. Parrish, \$5; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, \$5; Mrs. J. M. Leonard, \$5; Mrs. Levi Master, \$10; Queen Esther Circle, New York, \$5; Wesley Church Auxiliary, Minneapolis, \$5; Central New York Conference, \$35; Des Moines, \$10; Cincinnati, \$5; New Hampshire, \$20; Illinois, \$10; New York, \$10; New York East, \$10; Wyoming, \$25; New England Southern, \$25; and Central Ohio, \$15.



The report of the Bureau for Utah was forcibly given by Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary.

Mrs. Potter presented a cushion made by Mrs. Jennie Hansen, a missionary who had served the Society in this field for ten years. Mrs. Hansen wished the cushion sold for the benefit of the Emergency Fund. Mrs. Fisk immediately gave the first dollar, and expressed the wish that the cushion might be presented to Mrs. Bishop Joyce. Pledges were rapidly made, as follows: Mrs. Fisk, \$1; Mrs. Robinson, \$1; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, \$1; Mrs. Dale, \$1; Miss Mellor, \$1; Mrs. Arter, \$1; Mrs. Simpson, \$1; Mrs. Weed, \$1; Mrs. Green, \$1; Mrs. Hamilton, \$5; Mrs. Parrish, \$1; Miss Miner, \$1; Mrs. D. L. Williams, \$1; Mrs. L. P. Williams, \$1; Mrs. Smith, \$1; Mrs. Adams, \$1; Mrs. Addy, \$1; Mrs. Murphy, \$1; Mrs. Peck, \$1; Mrs. Brush, \$1; Mrs. Schoyer, \$1; Mrs. Minard, \$1; Mrs. Hill, \$1; Mrs. Knapp, \$1; Mrs. Johnson, \$1; Mrs. Foster, \$1; Mrs. Rust, \$1; Mrs. Newman, \$1; Mrs. Park, \$1; Mrs. Morgan, \$1; Mrs. Campbell, \$1; Mr. Riggan, \$1; Mrs. Gray, \$1; Bishop Joyce, \$5; Mrs. Lantry, \$1; Mrs. Pearce, \$1; Miss Evans, \$1; Mrs. Moore, \$1; Mrs. Hazlett, \$1; Friends, \$3.

Mrs. Fisk called Mrs. Rust to the chair for the purpose of formally making the motion that the cushion be presented to Mrs. Joyce. The motion was enthusiastically carried.

On motion of Mrs. Potter, the amount received for the cushion was credited to Wesley Church Auxiliary, Minneapolis.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman, of Nebraska, formerly Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, was invited to speak, and responded by saying: "As Superintendent of Jail and Prison Work in my own State, I receive tons of current literature to distribute in the prisons. This year I found carefully folded within the pages of the *Union Signal*, etc., the sermons of the leaders of the Mormon Church, breathing the old doctrines of the Church. There are many Mormon Churches in Nebraska. I studied Mohammedanism in Constantinople and Asia Minor and Egypt. I found the basis of the Mormon faith. It is Mohammedanism transferred to our Western Hemisphere, with Joseph Smith the prophet of their faith. The Oklahoma Legislature had to pass laws to imprison Mormon missionaries, to suppress their teaching of polygamy among the Indians.

Mrs. Robinson offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. William Curtis, in one of his published letters, printed during the month of September in the *Chicago Record*, states that there is a Mormon chaplain in a United States regiment; therefore,

Resolved, That Mrs. Angie F. Newman be a Special Committee to investigate this statement, and, if found to be true, that she convey the protest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to President McKinley.

Resolved, Further, That this protest be published in our Church papers.

The following pledges were made by Conferences for the work in Utah: Iowa, \$25; Illinois, \$100; Cincinnati, \$25; Ohio, \$25; and Central Ohio, \$50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. W. S. Thompson, of Minneapolis, sang the beautiful solo, "The Star of Eternity," to the delight of all.

The Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, read the report of the Bureau for Florida, in the absence of Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, Secretary. Mrs. Aiken said that, although Mrs. Whetstone, from the condition of her health, was denied the privilege of attending these meetings, yet she was instant in season and out of season in work for the Bureau, and it gave her pleasure to present Mrs. Whetstone's greetings to the Convention.

The report was, on motion, adopted, and Mrs. Aiken was requested to convey to Mrs. Whetstone the regards of the Society, and regrets at her absence.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish) was read by Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew, alternate for Mrs. Anna Kent, the Secretary, who was unable to be present.

Pledges for scholarships at Harwood Home were made as follows: New York Conference, \$50; New England, \$10; Baltimore, \$50; Newark, \$80; and Genesee, \$50.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. Robinson convey to Mrs. Kent the remembrance of the Society of her valuable services at former Conventions, and expressions of regret that she is not present with us upon this occasion.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Enrollment was given by the Chairman, Mrs. D. A. Minard, and, on motion, adopted. This report exhibits the fact that the representation includes four General Officers, three Vice-Presidents, two Honorary Vice-Presidents, six Managers, two Members of the Advisory Board, fifteen Bureau Secretaries, one General Organizer, twenty-seven Conference Corresponding Secretaries, thirty-four delegates, forty-four missionaries, deaconesses, and visitors outside of the city of Minneapolis.

#### ENROLLMENT.

*General Officers.*—President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken; Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams.

*Vice-Presidents.*—Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. W. C. Herron.

*Honorary Vice-Presidents.*—Mrs. C. C. McCabe, Mrs. Angie F. Newman.

*Managers.*—Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. James Dale.

*Advisory Board.*—Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, Mrs. J. P. Negus.

*Bureau Secretaries.*—Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. F. A. Arter, Mrs. Lavanda G. Murphy, Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. Anna F. Beiler; Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, and Mrs. D. A. Minard, assistant; Mrs. L. P. Williams, Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Mrs. E. B. Green, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton.

*Editor Woman's Home Missions.*—Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

*Editor Children's Home Missions.*—Miss Martha Van Marter.

*Publisher.*—Miss Mary Belle Evans.

*Treasurer's Secretary.*—Mrs. P. R. Graham.

*Secretary to Mrs. Rust.*—Miss Elizabeth Wommer.

The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk, and the names of Delegates by a dagger.

#### CONFERENCES.

*Baltimore.*—Mrs. Clara L. Roach;\* Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., President  
Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school; Miss Ida E. Miner,  
deaconess.

*California.*—Mrs. L. P. Williams.†

*Central New York.*—Mrs. I. N. Clements.† Visitor: Mrs. T. W. Thayer.

*Central Ohio.*—Mrs. M. H. Davis,\* Mrs. T. L. Wiltsee.†

*Cincinnati.*—Mrs. Frances S. Bates.† Trustees: Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. James Dale.

*Detroit.*—Mrs. W. B. Pope,\* Mrs. J. E. Jacklin.† Visitors: Mrs. May Comiskey Bliss, Mrs. Franc Armstrong, Mr. George O. Robinson.

*Des Moines.*—Mrs. Theo. F. Gatchel.†

*East Ohio.*—Mrs. F. A. Arter,\* Mrs. G. H. Foster.† Visitors: Mrs. C. H. Weed, Mrs. Louis Albert Banks.

*Erie.*—Miss Annie M. Cummings,\* Mrs. E. J. L. Baker.†

*Genesee.*—Mrs. E. B. Green,\* Mrs. Daniel Smith.† Mrs. D. A. Minard,  
Miss Iva May Durham, deaconess. Visitor: Miss Livinia M. Parish.

*Illinois.*—Miss Mary S. Pegram.†

*Indiana.*—Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,\* Mrs. W. T. Brown.†

*Iowa.*—Mrs. L. G. Murphy.\* Visitors: Mrs. N. S. Brush, Mrs. C. E. Haw.

*Kansas.*—Mrs. Elizabeth Parker.†

*Maine.*—Mrs. Helen Coffin Beedy.†

*Michigan.*—Mrs. Levi Master.\*

*Minnesota.*—Mrs. John Taylor,\* Miss Helen M. Evans.† Visitors: Mrs. R. H. Young, Mrs. D. W. Longfellow, Mrs. H. Stong, Mrs. Matt. S. Hughes, Bishop and Mrs. I. W. Joyce, Mr. J. M. Martin, Mrs. A. L. Duga, Mrs. Frank Joyce, Mrs. W. J. Dean, Mrs. Jabez Brooks, Mrs.

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C. B. Mitchell, Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Mrs. T. B. Walker, Miss Florence M. Ricker, Miss Mary R. Swisher, Mrs. F. F. Safford, Mr. John Taylor.

*Montana*.—Visitor: Rev. F. A. Riggin.

*Nebraska*.—Mrs. Annie Hobbs Woodcock,\* Mrs. F. M. Esterbrook.†  
Honorary Vice-President: Mrs. Angie F. Newman. Visitor: Mrs. L. H. Evans.

*Newark*.—Mrs. Charles E. Hill,\* Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew.† Visitor: Mrs. Wilbur F. Day.

*New England*.—Mrs. Joel M. Leonard.† Visitor: Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth.

*New England Southern*.—Mrs. J. A. Southard,\* Mrs. T. J. Everett.†

*New Mexico Spanish Mission*.—Miss Sarah Moore, missionary.

*New York*.—Mrs. J. W. Campbell,\* Mrs. Charles Olney,† Mrs. F. C. Morgan, Chairman of Committee on Watts de Peyster Home.

*New York East*.—Mrs. J. O. Peck,† Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

*Northern Minnesota*.—Visitors: Mrs. Della C. Geggie, Mrs. J. W. Bull.

*North Indiana*.—Mrs. L. H. Bunyan,\* Mrs. Minnie Irvine.† Visitor: Mrs. John Stanley.

*North Nebraska*.—Mrs. J. J. Lanktree,\* Mrs. J. A. Johnson.†

*North Ohio*.—Mrs. A. D. Knapp.\*

*Northern New York*.—Mrs. I. L. Hunt,\* Mrs. Alexander Bramley.†

*Northwest Indiana*.—Miss Ida M. Gibson,\* Mrs. D. M. Wood.†

*Northwest Iowa*.—Mrs. J. P. Negus,\* Mrs. J. B. Shesler.† Visitors: Mrs. Mary C. Hickman, Miss Charlotte Hickman, Mr. J. P. Negus.

*Northwest Nebraska*.—Mrs. Isabella Spurlock.†

*Ohio*.—Mrs. E. W. Seeds.†

*Philadelphia*.—Visitors: Mrs. Thomas Holt, Mrs. E. L. Flanagan.

*Pittsburg*.—Mrs. M. J. Schoyer,\* Miss Margaret Hoyer.† Secretaries of Bureaus: Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton. Visitor: Mr. Samuel Hamilton.

*Puget Sound*.—Visitors: Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, Vasha Nakoolkin, Marie McCloud, Catharine Dyaknoff, Helen Fraties, Irene Suvoroff, John Benson.

*Rock River*.—Mrs. E. E. Marcy,\* Mrs. L. C. Latimer.†

*St. Louis*.—Mrs. J. W. Bush.\* Visitors: Mrs. J. A. Brubaker, Mrs. Arthur W. Burke.

*Southern California*.—Mrs. H. J. Crist.†

*Texas*.—Honorary Vice-President: Mrs. C. C. McCabe.

*Troy*.—Mrs. E. W. Simpson,\* Mrs. H. H. Reed.† Visitor: Mr. E. W. Simpson.

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*Upper Iowa*.—Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh,\* Mrs. Phrone C. Yoran.† Visitors: Mrs. Chloe Collins, Mrs. M. A. Goodall, Mrs. Ritta E. Voorhies.

*West Wisconsin*.—Mrs. M. Benson,\* Mrs. I. D. Wiltrout.†

*Wisconsin*.—Mrs. R. W. Bates,\* Mrs. G. F. Reynolds.†

*Wyoming*.—Visitor: Mrs. W. H. Pearce.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by Mrs. D. L. Williams, and, on motion of Mrs. E. B. Green, adopted. She stated that a large number of the delegates were without credentials, because they were not informed that they would be required.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, a blank for credentials was ordered printed, to be sent out previous to the next Annual Meeting.

By request of the New England Conference, Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth was authorized to act as delegate for that Conference.

All requests for representation for Conferences not represented were referred to the Committee on Credentials.

Mrs. N. S. Brush, State President of the Federation of Woman's Home Missionary Societies of Iowa, made up of the four Conferences in the State, was introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. Fisk presented a letter of greeting from Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, one of the founders of the Society. On motion, Mrs. Negus was invited to respond to the letter with the kindest thought of all present.

Mrs. Rust said that about eighteen years ago, at Corry, in the Erie Conference, she represented the interest of the work, but did not anticipate immediate results. The first Conference Society, however, was organized, and Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, who is present at this Convention, was chosen President, and still occupies that office. Mrs. C. V. Culver was chosen Corresponding Secretary, and, although Mrs. Culver is laid aside by affliction, she still maintains her interest in our work. Mrs. Rust desired that a letter be sent to Mrs. Culver, expressive of the love and remembrance of this Society. It was so ordered, and Mrs. Rust was instructed to write the letter.

The meeting adjourned until 7.30. After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D.

## FRIDAY EVENING.

THE session, devoted to the Deaconess Anniversary, was called to order at 7.30 o'clock, Bishop Joyce presiding.

Miss Ida Miner, a deaconess from the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school and Deaconess Home, at Washington, D. C., conducted the devotional services, reading a part of the fifty-eighth

chapter of Isaiah, and then offered a fervent prayer, after which "More love, O Christ, to Thee," was sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and, on motion, adopted.

Bishop Joyce introduced the program with a few words of interest and appreciation, after which he presented Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, who submitted a comprehensive report.

On motion of Mrs. Rust, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk, at Mrs. Robinson's request, announced a recent offer of two acres of valuable ground in an Eastern city, on condition that a Deaconess Home be erected thereon.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe offered the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That we gratefully accept this noble donation, and will build as soon as our previous obligations are discharged.

A vocal solo, by Mr. C. E. Fisher, was rendered, and much appreciated by the large audience.

Dr. A. H. Ames, President of the National Training-school, Washington, D. C., read a forcible paper.

Pledges were made as follows: For scholarships—Northwest Iowa Conference, \$200; Baltimore, \$100; Troy, \$100; Upper Iowa, \$100; Northern New York, \$100; Cincinnati, \$50; North Ohio, \$25; East Ohio Conference Circles, \$100; Mrs. D. M. Walker, \$10.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the report was accepted, and the part relating to appropriation for Hospital referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations. (See Report.)

Miss Iva May Durham, Deaconess at Large, was then introduced, and spoke on the practical nature of the work done by the deaconess, showing with point and power that the bridging of the chasm between the Church and the unchurched must largely be done by the deaconess, and since it is the mission of Methodism to carry the gospel to the poor, the Church needs and must have the trained deaconess to aid in this Christlike work.

Mrs. Robinson spoke upon the immediate need of the erection of Rust Hall, determined upon one year ago, but not yet begun, and called upon Mrs. Angie F. Newman to come to the front, and appeal for funds in this behalf.

Mrs. Newman closed her eloquent appeal with a pledge, which was quickly followed by others, as given below:

Mrs. Newman, for Nebraska Conference, \$100; Mrs. Robinson, \$100; Mrs. Hamilton, \$100; Baltimore Conference, \$200; Upper Iowa, \$100; Genesee, \$100; Newark, \$100; Northern New York, \$100; Iowa, \$100; Mrs. Chloe Collin, Cornell College, \$100; Mrs. C. C. McCabe, \$50; Edwin Ray Auxiliary, Indianapolis, \$100; Indiana, \$40; Pittsburg, \$25; Central New York, \$100; Maine, \$100; Wyoming, \$100; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Negus,

\$100; Troy, \$100; Illinois, \$25; North Indiana, \$50; Wilmington, \$50; Mrs. Nelson, North Minnesota, \$5; Detroit, \$50; Michigan, \$50; Central Ohio, \$100; Cincinnati, per Mrs. Dale, \$25; Des Moines, \$40; through New York Conference, secured by Mrs. Fisk, \$1,650; First Church, Topeka, \$50; collected by Miss Durham, \$22.25; Mrs. Murphy, \$5; Mrs. Shesler, \$5; Mrs. Alspaugh, \$5; Mrs. N. S. Brush, \$5; Mrs. McClenry, \$5; Mrs. Pope, for her husband, \$5; Mrs. W. J. Dean, \$25; Mrs. W. C. Herron, \$25; Miss Martha Van Marter, \$25; and Mrs. Bliss, \$50.

Mrs. Rust was deeply affected by these generous subscriptions, and in a few earnest words expressed her gratitude.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Saturday morning.

After singing the Doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Joyce.

### SATURDAY MORNING.

AT nine o'clock the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk.

Mrs. T. J. Everett read a selection from the tenth chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. Prayer was offered by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and the hymn, "One more day's work for Jesus," was sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, corrected, and adopted.

Miss Van Marter asked to be excused from the chairmanship of the Committee on Resolutions, and requested that Mrs. H. H. Reed, of Troy Conference, be made her successor. On motion, these requests were granted.

Reports of the following Conferences were read by the respective Secretaries: Illinois, by Miss Mary Pegram; New England, in the absence of Mrs. Floyd, by Mrs. J. M. Leonard; New England Southern, by Mrs. J. A. Southard; Erie, by Miss Annie Cummings; and East Ohio, by Mrs. F. A. Arter.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

At 9.45 the session adjourned, in favor of a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

At the expiration of an hour this Committee arose, and the President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair.

Many young people of Minneapolis had waited patiently to hear the Alaskan children sing. They were conducted to the platform by their teacher, Miss Mellor, and delighted the audience with the singing of "When I read that sweet story of old." This was followed by one of the Alaskan girls reciting "The Character of Washington," in a manner that would do credit to any pupil in our public schools.

Miss Mellor, in a few earnest words, thanked the Convention for the kind and cordial reception which had been accorded her and the children.

Mrs. Fisk announced the 566th Hymn, and asked that two stanzas be sung.

The report of the Committee on Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska, was read by Mrs. J. P. Negus, Chairman.

Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, Superintendent of the Home, gave some interesting incidents concerning the children, and their great love for the Home and for one another. She stated that the year closed without indebtedness.

Mrs. A. H. Woodcock, of Nebraska, spoke of the fine exhibit which had been made by the Home in the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha, and the marked attention which it had received. She said a flagstaff was greatly desired for the Home. She presented a plan for practically interesting farmers in the Mothers' Jewels Home, by asking them to contribute a certain number of bushels of wheat or corn, or the equivalent in money, and requested Conference Corresponding Secretaries to help in this matter.

Mrs. Aiken moved that the recommendations of Mrs. Woodcock be adopted. Carried.

The appended list of pledges was made for scholarships: Iowa Conference, \$40; Nebraska, \$100; New England, \$50; Minnesota, \$90, \$50 of which is in memory of Mrs. J. M. Martin; Genesee, \$80; Newark Young People, \$50; Trinity Church, Oil City, Pa., \$50; and Mrs. Arter, \$50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, Secretary, was listened to with profound interest. Mrs. Hamilton called attention to the leaflet she had prepared, "The Consecration of the Tenth," and invited the ladies to take one. She felt that the name of each Conference officer would be a power for the advancement of the cause.

Mrs. Aiken moved that a Committee be appointed to define the duties of the Auxiliary Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence, and that Mrs. Hamilton be Chairman, with power to choose the members of this Committee. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Campbell presented a resolution, asking that space be given in the blanks for Conference reports for the use of the Department of Systematic Beneficence, and that Secretaries for this special work be appointed in each Conference. Adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, the report was adopted by a rising vote, and ordered published in pamphlet form, and distributed throughout the Conferences. (See Report.)

Mr. Samuel Hamilton read a paper written by the Rev. Luther E. Lovejoy, of Michigan, on the subject of Tithing.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended to the author, the Rev. Mr. Lovejoy, and to Mr. Hamilton for reading this paper.

In this connection, Mrs. H. C. McCabe submitted a petition, which



it was desired should be presented to the Bishops of our Church, asking them to bring this important subject of tithing before the Church.

Miss Van Marter moved that this admirable petition be sent to our Bishops from our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Carried.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe moved that the signatures of the President and the Corresponding Secretary of this Society, together with that of the Secretary of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, be attached to the petition. Carried.

Mrs. Woodcock offered the following:

*Resolved*, That we diligently instruct the young people and children in the duty of tithing.

Adopted.

A most cordial invitation was received from the Auxiliary of Oakland Church, Chicago, to the ladies of this Convention to attend an informal reception in the church, Friday afternoon, October 28th inst., to meet the ladies of Chicago and its suburbs. On motion, accepted with thanks.

Mrs. L. C. Latimer announced that she had arranged for ladies to speak in some of the pulpits of Chicago the following Sunday.

After a fervent prayer was offered by Mrs. Bishop McCabe, on motion, the meeting adjourned until two o'clock in the afternoon.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, called the Convention to order at two o'clock. The hymn, "Come, my soul, thy suit prepare," was sung.

Mrs. T. F. Gatchell read the latter part of First James, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Murphy. Two stanzas of "Jesus, Lover of my soul," were sung in concluding the devotional exercises.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and, on motion, adopted.

Dr. Ames presented the report of Sibley Hospital, which was listened to with interest. (See Report.)

Dr. Ames called attention to some leaflets and to catalogues of the National Training-school for distribution.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Campbell was granted the privilege of presenting a brief supplemental report from Mrs. Mansfield, Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrants, giving the statistics of the Philadelphia work, and mentioning as an evil influence in our Nation the activity of Mormon elders going abroad on almost every vessel, and returning to our country with recruits of Norwegian and Swedish girls.

In response to Mrs. Campbell's plea for pledges for the New York Immigrant Home, the following were made:

New Jersey Conference, \$30; Central New York, \$25; Newark, \$100; Baltimore, \$50; Pittsburg, \$25; Upper Iowa, \$25; Nebraska,

\$50; New York East, \$25; Northern New York, \$25; New York, \$200; Wyoming, \$25; North Ohio, \$25; Troy, \$25; Central Ohio, \$25; Illinois, \$100; Northwest Indiana, \$10; Genesee, \$10; Michigan, \$10; Hennepin Avenue Church, Minneapolis, \$50; First Church, St. Paul, \$50; Rochester Auxiliary, Minnesota Conference, \$10; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, \$25; Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, \$10; and Mrs. J. O. Peck, \$10.

On motion, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Credentials recommended that Mrs. N. S. Brush, of the Iowa Conference, be recognized as a delegate, and, on motion of Mrs. Roach, the recommendation was adopted.

Mrs. D. A. Minard, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, then took charge of the program in the interest of this special work, and five-minute reports were presented of Aldrich Memorial Home, Grand Rapids, Mich., by Mrs. Master; Baltimore Home, by Mrs. Roach; Brooklyn Home, by Mrs. Peck; Bidwell Deaconess Home, Des Moines, Iowa, by Mrs. T. F. Gatchell; Cleveland Home, by Mrs. C. H. Weed; Buffalo, by Mrs. Minard; Cunningham Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill., by Mrs. Potter; Davis Home, Salt Lake City, Utah, by Mrs. Potter; Newark Conference Deaconess Home, Jersey City, N. J., by Mrs. Barkeley; Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, Washington, D. C., by Mrs. Roach; Los Angeles and Pasadena Home, at Los Angeles, Cal., by Mrs. Crist; San Francisco Home, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; and Pittsburg Home, by Mrs. Schoyer.

Mrs. Minard emphasized the fact that the success of the Rest Home at Ocean Grove, N. J., was largely due to the efforts of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. Wilbur F. Day.

Mrs. Fisk, with much feeling, called attention to the loving tribute from the New York Conference to our beloved President, in naming a room "The Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk Room," and over its portals are the words, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

Another room to which attention was called, was the "Ernest Benson Neff Room," in memory of the only son of Dr. and Mrs. John Neff, Baltimore, Md. The text bestowed upon this room was, "Occupy till I come."

Mrs. Fisk vacated the chair, and moved that a letter of warm sympathy be sent by Mrs. Minard to Mrs. Neff, in view of her sorrow in the loss of her brothers.

Mrs. Barkeley read Mrs. Kent's report of Rest Home, and Mrs. W. F. Day supplemented this with a financial statement to the effect that there is due on the contractor's bill the sum of \$200; for interest money, \$300; and on furniture, \$200.

Miss Miner spoke of the pleasure and blessing of rest at this Home, after describing her own pretty room.

Mrs. Minard's earnest plea for money to carry forward the work of Rest Home, and cancel its indebtedness, resulted in the following pledges:

Baltimore Conference, \$100; New York East, \$50; Troy, \$50; New York, \$20; Genesee, \$50; Newark, \$100; North Indiana, \$10; Wilmington, \$10; Indiana, \$5; Auxiliary of New London, Conn., \$5; Auxiliary of Grand Avenue Church, Kansas City, \$10; Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, \$10; Wesley Church, Minneapolis, \$10; Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis, \$10; First Church, Rochester, N. Y., \$10; Mrs. W. C. Herron, \$5; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, \$5; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, \$5; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, \$5.

Pledges for Entertainment Fund: Baltimore Conference, \$10; Kansas, \$10.

On motion, these reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. R. H. Young announced a telegram received from Mrs. C. B. Spencer, of Denver, Col., saying that a serious accident to her husband had prevented her attendance. On motion, the Recording Secretary was instructed to send a note of sympathy.

"Peace, Peace, Wonderful Peace," were the words and influence of the beautiful song given by Miss Durham.

Mrs. H. H. Reed, fraternal delegate from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, brought sisterly greetings and a Godspeed to our endeavor to bring our native land nearer Christ.

A pleasant invitation to visit the art gallery of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Walker was, on motion, accepted with thanks.

On motion, adjourned until Monday morning at nine o'clock, after announcing Young People's Meeting for three o'clock Sunday afternoon, and Anniversary exercises Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. F. A. Riggan.

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#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Young People's Meeting was held in Wesley Church at three o'clock, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett presiding.

Delightful recitations and songs were given by the children, and brief addresses by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, and Mrs. James Dale.

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#### SUNDAY EVENING.

THE Anniversary of the Society was held in Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk presiding.

A fine organ voluntary preceded the singing of "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," and the repetition of the Twenty-third Psalm by the large audience.

The hymn, "Come, thou Almighty King, and reign over us," was sung.

Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D., the pastor, read the Parable of the Lost Sheep, and led in prayer.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, spoke words of rejoicing, in view of the progress and prosperity of the Society.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, presented an abstract of her Annual Report.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, submitted a summary of receipts and disbursements.

Miss Florence Pace rendered "O Divine Redeemer," with accompaniment of violoncello, piano, and organ, with magnificent effect.

Mrs. W. C. Herron gave an able annual address. (See Address.)

Two stanzas of "All hail the power of Jesus' Name" were sung.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

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### MONDAY MORNING.

PROMPTLY at nine o'clock, the President, Mrs. Fisk, took the chair, and Mrs. Williams led the devotional exercises. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Reed, and "I need Thee every hour" was sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Reports of Conferences were presented by the respective Corresponding Secretaries, as follows: Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh, for Upper Iowa; Mrs. R. W. Bates, for Wisconsin; Mrs. I. N. Clements, for Mrs. W. A. Brownell, Central New York; Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, for North Indiana; Mrs. Levi Master, for Michigan; Mrs. E. B. Green, for Genesee; Mrs. M. Benson, for West Wisconsin; and Mrs. L. G. Murphy, for Iowa.

On motion, these excellent reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Crist stated that Mrs. J. M. Martin, of Minneapolis, who had given valuable assistance in preparing for this Convention, had passed from labor to reward, and she desired that an expression of sympathy be sent to her husband.

On motion, Mrs. Aiken was instructed to prepare such a letter.

Mrs. Rust made appreciative mention of the services of Mrs. Bishop McCabe, in giving addresses and organizing Auxiliaries at the Conferences over which Bishop McCabe had presided.

The time for the election of officers having arrived, Mrs. D. L. Williams was called to the chair, and gave instruction as to the methods of election and persons entitled to vote. A question was asked as to whether the Secretary of a Deaconess Board was entitled to a vote, and decided in the negative.

Preliminary to the election, Bishop Joyce led in prayer, and two stanzas of "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove," were sung.

The question was asked, "Are Honorary Vice-Presidents allowed to vote?" Mrs. Aiken stated that by a previous action of this body they were entitled to seat and voice, but not vote.

Mrs. Robinson desired to express her pleasure in the presence of Bishop Joyce in our meeting, and made reference to the uniform kindness of all members of the Board of Bishops.

Mrs. Rust stated that whenever, in her official position, she needed help or advice on important matters, it was her custom to go to the Bishops for this assistance.

In response, Bishop Joyce desired to add what he had said on Saturday, that God had made the Methodist Church wonderfully rich in its women, and after speaking of his work in presiding over many Conferences, and the spirit of heroic self-sacrifice shown by the wives of preachers who were sent to hard appointments on small salaries, he called upon the preachers' wives who were members of the Convention to arise, and a goodly number arose.

He thought it a matter for congratulation on the part of the Church that the men and the women, and the young life of the Church, were coming into active service. He prayed that God's blessing might be upon all, and that the Church, with all these organizations, might keep step with God in his onward march.

Mrs. Williams appointed as the first set of tellers, Mrs. J. M. Leonard, Miss Annie Cummings, Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, and Mrs. L. P. Williams, with Mrs. E. B. Green as Secretary; second set of tellers, Mrs. C. E. Hill, Mrs. M. Alsbaugh, Mrs. Daniel Smith, and Mrs. C. H. Weed, with Miss Van Marter as Secretary.

The Recording Secretary read Section 3, Article I, of the By-laws as to form of election, and announced the number of ladies entitled to vote as sixty-five.

The informal ballot for President was then ordered.

The second set of tellers was called, and the informal ballot for Vice-Presidents ordered.

The first set of tellers announced the informal ballot for President as follows: Total number of votes cast, sixty-five; for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, sixty-two.

On motion, the informal ballot was made the formal ballot, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, as instructed, cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk as President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year, and the Chairman announced her as duly elected.

Mrs. Fisk was presented to the Convention by Mrs. Marcy, and was greeted with the Chautauqua salute. Mrs. Fisk expressed her appreciation of their continued expression of confidence, and her willingness to serve the Society in this relation. When elected to this office, five years ago, she had not thought herself qualified, and was still distrustful of herself, but had given, as she had pledged a year since, the "best there was in her to the Society."

One stanza of "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah," was sung.

The informal ballot for Corresponding Secretary was ordered.

On motion, Mrs. Green was instructed to collect the ballots of the tellers absent from the room, for the Corresponding Secretary.

Pending the return of the tellers, reports of the Baltimore and the New York East Conferences were given respectively by Mrs. Clara L. Roach and Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

The tellers reported number of ballots cast for Corresponding Secretary, 64. Mrs. R. S. Rust received 64, and, on motion, the formal ballot was made the informal ballot, and the Recording Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for this faithful servant of the Society.

The Chairman announced Mrs. Rust as the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mrs. Rust said she felt this to be one of the happiest moments of her life. Last year she had attended the meeting in great weakness, and when a little later her physician had expressed doubt as to a longer continuance of her life, she at the family altar consecrated herself anew to the Master's service, and had been so mercifully sustained that she had been able to perform all her duties, and was here with greater strength than the year previous.

"What a Friend we have in Jesus," and "My faith looks up to Thee," were sung.

Mrs. Robinson moved that, in view of Mrs. Rust's many labors, and her poor health and need of assistance, that Mrs. Rust be empowered to secure a secretary, at terms that she shall arrange. Carried.

The informal ballot for Recording Secretary was ordered.

The tellers reported the ballot for Vice-President, as follows: Mrs. W. C. Herron, 62; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, 60; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, 60; Mrs. Bishop Walden, 55; and Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, 46.

On motion, the Recording Secretary cast the formal ballot for these ladies as Vice-Presidents of the Society, and the Chairman announced them as duly elected.

The informal ballot was ordered for Treasurer.

At this point, five delegates having arrived, the number entitled to vote was increased to 70.

The tellers announced the informal ballot for Recording Secretary. Whole number of votes cast, 64; of which Mrs. Aiken received 63. Mrs. Green, as instructed, cast the formal ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Aiken as Recording Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In announcing Mrs. Aiken's election, the Chairman, Mrs. Williams, said that the Society had no more faithful, painstaking servant than this one. When conducted to the platform by Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Aiken said that if she were facetious she should declare herself as "just sweet sixteen," since she had served the Society in this capacity for about that length of time; but not being facetious, she should say that she assumed this office with a deep sense of the responsibilities of her work, and thankful to her Heavenly Father for the opportunity for service.

The tellers reported the informal ballot for Treasurer, as follows: Number of votes cast, 62; for Mrs. Williams, 61.

Mrs. Aiken, being instructed to cast the formal ballot of the Society for Mrs. Williams as Treasurer, said that she was glad to have this as her first official duty after election.

In accepting her office, Mrs. Williams said that she came to the meeting with a heavy heart, because not all the old obligations of the Society had been canceled. It had been impossible, but God had helped her in every extremity, through the thoughtfulness of the women of the Society, in sending money whenever the treasury ran low, so that at the beginning of every month she had been able to pay the salaries of the missionaries. She begged the ladies to continue this care of the treasury, and to guard most carefully the interests of the General Fund.

The devotional hour having arrived, Mrs. Barkleew announced Hymn 384, and led in prayer, after which "He leadeth me" was sung.

Attention was called to the invitation of Dr. Cyrus Northrop to visit the University of Minnesota, and, on motion of Mrs. Green, the invitation was accepted, with thanks.

Adjourned, on motion, to meet at two o'clock. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

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### MONDAY AFTERNOON.

THE afternoon session was opened at two o'clock, with Mrs. Fisk, the President, in the chair. "A charge to keep I have" was sung, and Mrs. I. L. Hunt read and briefly spoke upon the question in the eleventh chapter of Acts, "Have I received the Holy Ghost?" Mrs. Alexander Bramley led in prayer, after which "Coronation" was sung.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk announced that the Convention would now proceed to complete the election of officers, with Mrs. D. L. Williams in the chair.

The first set of tellers was called, and ballots distributed.

Mrs. G. H. Thompson, of Cincinnati, asked if she might be permitted to cast the ballots of three ladies entitled to vote, who are compelled to be absent and had prepared their ballots for the Managers. On motion that she be so allowed, it was argued that it would not be wise to establish the precedent, and the motion was lost.

The Chairman requested that the ballots be prepared for the twelve Managers. After these ballots were collected, Mrs. Fisk stated that the Advisory Board of seven ladies was not anticipated by the Constitution of the Society; but this Board had been sanctioned by the Society, because of the helpfulness, by suggestion, they could afford to the Board of

Trustees when in attendance upon their meetings, where they have a voice but no vote.

Mrs. D. L. Williams stated that Mrs. G. W. Mansfield was not able to render any assistance on the Advisory Board, and would be glad to be excused, and suggested the name of Mrs. J. H. Schoyer, of Pittsburg.

The second set of tellers was called, and the Convention prepared ballots for the Advisory Board of seven members.

The following ladies were nominated by the Board of Trustees for Bureau Secretaries, and duly confirmed. (See Annual Report, pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.)

Mrs. Bramley asked that a rising vote of thanks be given to Mrs. Ampt for her untiring efforts as Railroad Secretary on behalf of this Society. The vote was cheerfully given.

Mrs. Crist, of California, asked if General Organizers prevented the employment of Conference Organizers. Mrs. Rust replied: "Not at all. We are anxious to encourage Conference Organizers, for we believe each Conference should have its own workers to extend its work."

Mrs. Rust called attention to the fact that the charter of the National Training-school in Washington demanded that each organized Conference shall be represented by a Conference Manager, whose duty it is to care for the interests of the Training-school within the bounds of her Conference, such Manager to be elected by the Conference Society, and confirmed by the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

The report of the New York Conference was given by Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Secretary, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Van Marter announced the vote for the nomination of the Advisory Board. Whole number of votes cast, 53; number of votes necessary to choice, 27. Mrs. J. P. Negus received 52; Mrs. J. M. King, 51; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, 50; Mrs. H. M. Teller, 50; Mrs. J. W. Hamilton, 50; Mrs. H. W. Rogers, 45; and Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, 36.

On motion of Mrs. T. J. Everett, the Advisory Board was elected by acclamation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, of Topeka, Kansas, moved that Miss Moore, our missionary from Dulce, New Mexico, be given an opportunity to present her work. Carried.

Miss Moore spoke of the improved condition of their surroundings, and the increased interest manifested by those whom they try to help. Their cottages are occupied by those who are under their influence, and all who receive the advantages the school affords are expected to pay something; if not money, then such commodities as beef, vegetables, grain, or feed for their horses. She spoke of their special need of desks for the little chapel, and seats instead of the rude boxes they had been using, adding that the question is not how to get the children, but how to take care of them when they come.

Miss Maria Clegg, Miss Moore's associate, sent greetings to the Convention, and Mrs. Rust was requested to respond.



Mrs. Fisk asked what it would cost to seat the chapel. Miss Moore said from \$75 to \$100. The President urged that this amount be secured, and pledges promptly came as follows:

Kansas Conference, \$5; New York, \$10; North Nebraska, \$10; Cincinnati, \$5; Nebraska, \$5; Mrs. D. L. Williams, \$2; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, \$5; Mrs. L. P. Bennett, \$50; Mrs. Schoyer, \$2; Mrs. W. F. Day, \$10; A friend, \$1.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, President of the Kansas Conference, read the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hilda McBride. She spoke of a new feature at their camp-meeting, which proved an incentive to their work; viz., that of a reception, to which all the ladies upon the ground were invited, and where the work of the Society was presented.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Green reported votes cast for Managers, to be as follows: Mrs. M. T. Carey, 56; Mrs. W. M. Ampt, 55; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., 55; Mrs. I. D. Jones, 55; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, 54; Mrs. Anna Kent, 54; Mrs. James Dale, 54; Mrs. E. L. Albright, 53; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 53; Mrs. Lewis Curtis, 53; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, 52; Mrs. George H. Thompson, 51.

Mrs. Beedy, of Maine, moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the twelve ladies nominated. The ballot was cast, and the ladies declared duly elected.

Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. James Dale, and Mr. Richard Dymond were chosen Auditing Committee.

Mrs. Annia Hobbs Woodcock, Corresponding Secretary, gave the report of the Nebraska Conference.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The hour for the communion service having arrived, business was staid.

Mrs. C. D. Hays, of St. Paul, rendered, in magnificent voice, the beautiful solo, "Take my soul, Lord," which was a fitting opening to the communion service, which was conducted by Bishop Joyce, assisted by six pastors from the city and Rev. Riffin, of Montana. None can forget the holy calm that pervaded the room during the entire service. Each heart must have felt a Divine impulse for a new and fuller consecration.

Adjourned until 7.30, with benediction by Bishop Joyce.

#### MONDAY EVENING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. N. F. Brush, of Iowa, who announced as the opening hymn, "How firm a foundation," and read the 147th Psalm, after which prayer was offered by Mrs. L. G. Murphy. "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

A vocal solo was beautifully rendered by Mrs. William M. Porteous. Mrs. Aiken, in the absence of Mrs. G. E. Palen, Secretary of the Bureau for Georgia, submitted her report.

Pledges were made as follows: For Haven Home—Salary, Erie Conference, \$300; scholarships—Central Ohio, \$50; North Ohio, \$25; Newark, \$40; Troy, \$40. For Mary Haven Home: First Church, Minneapolis, \$10. For Thayer Home: Salary, North Indiana, \$360; scholarships, Maine, \$50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of the Bureau for East Central States, preceded the reading of her report by a pleasant tribute to the generosity of the women who, in previous years, had pledged all she asked, and stated that this time she came to tell them of work which had reached a degree of completion.

The following pledges were made: For Allen Home—Scholarships, New England Conference, \$35; East Ohio, \$40; North Ohio, \$40; Genesee, \$40; Pittsburg, \$10; and Wilmington, \$20. For Browning Home Plantation Work: New England Conference, \$40; and New England Southern, \$25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. L. P. Williams, Secretary of the Bureau for Orientals, read a carefully-prepared report, which elicited much interest.

Pledges were made as follows: For salary of teacher—West Wisconsin Conference, \$20. For scholarships—Baltimore Conference, \$60; Central Pennsylvania, \$60; Northwest Iowa, \$60; Maine, \$30; Iowa, \$30; Detroit, \$20; North Indiana, \$60; New England, \$25; North Ohio, \$30; and Minnesota, \$60.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Angie F. Newman asked permission to speak concerning the Indian Exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, Omaha, and presented a cordial invitation from Captain Mercer, of the 8th United States Infantry, in charge of the Indian Encampment, to members of this Convention to take this opportunity to study the Indian question.

Mrs. M. H. Davis, Secretary of the Central Ohio Conference, presented report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Green offered the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the able anniversary address which was delivered before this body by Mrs. W. C. Herron on Sunday evening be published in our next Annual Report.

Mrs. Green, Secretary, submitted the report of the Bureau for Local Work without reading, which, on motion, was accepted.

A motion prevailed to adjourn until nine o'clock Tuesday morning.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riffin.

## TUESDAY MORNING.

AT nine o'clock the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. M. Benson, of the West Wisconsin Conference, who announced the 653d hymn. The twelfth chapter of Romans was read, and prayers were offered by Rev. F. A. Riggins and Mrs. L. P. Williams. "My Jesus, as thou wilt," was sung in conclusion.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, and, on motion, adopted.

The report of the Newark Conference was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. Charles E. Hill, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. L. Runyan sweetly sang, "I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord."

The session adjourned, and the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations convened immediately. The remainder of the morning was given to its work.

At 12.45 this Committee arose. The President, Mrs. Fisk, called the session to order. Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson offered prayer.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until two o'clock. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. M. S. Hughes, D. D.

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## TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the President, Mrs. Fisk, called the meeting to order at two o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Mary S. Pegram. Hymn 770 was sung, the 46th Psalm read, and prayer offered by Mrs. E. E. Marcy.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and adopted.

Miss Martha Van Marter, Chairman of the Leaflet Committee, submitted a detailed report, and added that Rev. J. C. Thomas had presented the Society with a large amount of valuable literature for distribution in our Homes, but which had not been sent out, because of a lack of funds for its transportation. It being estimated that ten dollars would be sufficient, the amount was quickly subscribed by the following ladies: Mrs. Angie F. Newman, \$5; Mrs. L. G. Murphy, \$1; Mrs. J. P. Negus, \$1; Mrs. B. S. Potter, \$1; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, \$1; and Mrs. H. C. McCabe, \$1.

On motion, the report was adopted (See Report), and Miss Van Marter was instructed to communicate thanks to the Rev. J. C. Thomas for his generous gift.

Mrs. Herron presented the name of Mrs. Della C. Geggie, of Duluth, Minn., as General Organizer, and the appointment was confirmed. Mrs.

Rust submitted the names of Mrs. Angie F. Newman and Mrs. Clara L. Roach, and they were confirmed General Organizers.

A question was asked as to how much money was raised in the ten thousand Jewels' Mite-boxes, and the disposition of the funds, to which the reply was made by Miss Van Marter that the amount was not known to her, and that the money had probably been sent to the General Treasury, through the regular channels.

Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was conducted to the platform by Mrs. Rust, and greeted by the Convention most heartily.

Mrs. Hargrove said she was glad to be here, and she thought herself so much a cosmopolitan as to deserve a place among us, her father an American, her mother an English woman, while she, the daughter of a missionary who had given life in the service, was born in the Province of Assam, India, and brought up in the West. She brought from the Society she represented a loving greeting, and stated that she had watched our wonderful work in all sections of the country with pride and gratitude.

Mrs. Hargrove stated that the Society she represented was establishing Homes in the South and missions in cities, and among the Cubans, Japanese, and Chinese. She prayed that we might unite in a great league to draw every Christian woman into the mission work of the Church.

Mrs. Roach presented the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, We have listened with great pleasure to our dear sister, Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we desire to manifest our appreciation of her kindly greeting by a rising vote, and request her to convey to her constituency our interest in their work, and our joy in its success.

A request being made that some one be sent to address the students of the University of Minnesota, Mrs. Fisk stated that she had already designated Mrs. J. B. Robinson to perform this service.

The report of the Bureau for West Central States, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, was read by Mrs. Charles Olney.

Pledges were made as follows: New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.—Scholarships: Troy Conference, \$100; Newark, \$40; New Jersey, \$20; Salary of Miss Mosher, Michigan, \$320. For Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.: Scholarships—Troy Conference, \$40; New York, \$50; New Jersey, \$50; New Hampshire, \$10. For repairs: Troy, \$25. For Ritter Home: Scholarships—New England Conference, \$15; Michigan, \$80; Northern New York, \$20; Ohio, \$40; North Ohio, \$40; East Ohio, \$50; Pittsburg, \$5.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Resolutions presented the name of Mrs. Samuel

Hamilton as a delegate from this body to the National Council of Women, in session at Omaha. Discussion followed, resulting in the opinion that the sending of a delegate suggested the idea of affiliation.

A substitute was offered, to the effect that Mrs. Hamilton go as a representative from this body, leaving the matter of affiliation for later consideration, which was adopted.

A resolution was presented by Mrs. Roach, which provides for a meeting of Conference Secretaries at least one day prior to the meeting of the General Board of Managers, which was adopted.

Miss Nellie McCullom sang most beautifully a solo, entitled, "There is a green hill far away."

Mrs. John Taylor, Corresponding Secretary of the Minnesota Conference, made a most interesting report of the work of the Conference, indicating advancement along all lines, and such generous contributions, that the amount given had reached \$9 per capita. (See Report.) On motion, adopted.

Announcements were made, and the Convention adjourned until 7.30 o'clock, voices uniting in singing the doxology.

#### TUESDAY EVENING.

A SERVICE of song was enjoyed before the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. Miss Iva May Durham read the 91st Psalm—the "Psalm of Safety"—and Mrs. Aiken led in prayer, after which Miss Durham gave a vocal solo, "He was not willing that any should perish."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The President, in introducing Mrs. James Dale, Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies, said that recently one of the Bishops of our Church said to her that many of our church doors would have to be closed were it not for the Supplies Department of our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Dale said she had the names of seven hundred ministers on her books who received less than four hundred dollars a year salary, but she was happy to say there were sixty thousand women in our Society to care for them. Her report was offered, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mr. Oscar Seagle rendered most delightfully the solo, "The Peans of Peace." In response to an encore, he sang, "Scatter seeds of kindness."

Mrs. Albright offered the following resolution, which, was, on motion, adopted:

*Resolved*, That we most sincerely thank Mr. B. D. Caldwell, Chairman of the Western Passenger Association, for the large favors granted our Society in the matter of reduced rates for this Convention.

Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, followed with her report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The President introduced Miss Ida M. Gibson, our missionary among the Italians in New Orleans. Miss Gibson said that in this city there were thirty thousand of this nationality, fourteen thousand arriving each year, sometimes one thousand from one vessel. Four hundred a year, on an average, return to Italy. Thus can be seen our great opportunity, not only to reach those in our own land, but to send the gospel abroad.

A convert of our Italian Mission in New Orleans recently carried with him to his home in Italy an Italian Bible, which he gave to his old father, who was a Roman Catholic, but who read the Word, not knowing what it was. When told, he at once gave his heart to God. The father and son and his wife began together to tell the story of the Cross. They were driven from home by enraged relatives. But now, a recent letter says, "We go from place to place, telling the people about Jesus."

One of these New Orleans Italians told Miss Gibson that he had voted for twenty-eight years, but had never heard of the Constitution of the United States.

The homes of these people were vividly described, showing the condition of the women to be deplorable.

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, introduced the program of the evening, consisting of practical questions on the deaconess work, by saying that the hour was late, and suggested that a selection from the papers be made.

Mrs. Roach moved that we hear the paper prepared by Mrs. D. A. Minard, upon the "Financial Support of Deaconess Homes," and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Minard's paper was replete with good suggestions. (See Paper.)

On motion, the discussion of the paper was deferred until another session.

Mrs. Robinson asked that the Committee appointed by the Board of Trustees to devise plans by which each Auxiliary should be induced to give a sum in cash to Rust Hall be continued.

On motion of Mrs. Beedy, the Committee, consisting of Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. George H. Thompson, and Mrs. James Dale, was indorsed by the Convention, and continued.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riffin.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING.**

**T**HE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. P. Negus, who read part of the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke, and offered prayer. "A charge to keep I have," was sung.

Mrs. Fisk announced that if there were any pupils of Mary Lyon, or graduates of Mt. Holyoke College, Mrs. James Douglass would be glad to meet them.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer was presented by Mrs. M. C. Hickman, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams moved that Mrs. Hickman be reappointed Chairman of the Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer. Carried.

Mrs. Hickman submitted the following, which was adopted:

*Resolved, That, through Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, we cordially invite the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to unite with societies of the Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, and Methodist Episcopal Churches, in the observance of the Day of Humiliation and Prayer.*

Miss Van Marter reported with reference to leaflets and programs for the Day of Humiliation and Prayer. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the North Ohio Conference was read by the Secretary, Mrs. A. D. Knapp, and adopted. (See Report.)

The President, Mrs. Fisk, called to the platform Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, the President of the Erie Conference Society from its organization, eighteen years since, and, on behalf of the members of the Convention, presented a piece of her own handiwork—a beautiful shoulder cape—purchased by the ladies, as an expression of love for Mrs. Baker personally, and a recognition of her long, faithful service in advancing the interests of the Society.

Mrs. Baker was visibly affected by this tribute, and responded in fitting words from a full heart.

"Blest be the tie that binds," was sung with feeling.

Mrs. Roach moved that the Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., be confirmed President of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school at Washington, D. C. Carried.

On motion, adjourned for a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

When the Committee arose, the President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair and the report of the Committee on Place of Meeting was submitted by Mrs. Charles Olney. This report exhibited invitations from Pittsburg,

Omaha, Montana, and New York. The invitation received from Christ Church, Pittsburg, Pa., was accepted.

The hymn, "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung, and Mrs. Alsbaugh, in opening the devotional half-hour, said her mind was filled with serious reflections regarding the territorial extension of our country, and its rapidly-enlarging population, and she called for quotations of Scripture passages for the assurance of our faith. In response, many precious promises were repeated.

The exercises closed with singing, "There's a wideness in God's mercy."

On motion, the meeting adjourned until two P. M. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riffin.

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### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. A. F. Beiler. Two stanzas of the hymn, "O, could I speak the matchless worth," were sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Ampt requested the privilege of presenting Mrs. J. B. Starkey to the Convention, saying that she had rendered efficient and very valuable service to the Railroad Committee; also that a Quaker friend, through Mrs. Starkey, had furnished the bountiful supply of roses, chrysanthemums, palms, etc., which had been so greatly enjoyed by the ladies of the Convention. Mrs. Fisk introduced Mrs. Starkey with appropriate words.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to go into Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

When the Committee adjourned, the President resumed the chair.

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Chairman of Committee on Mite-boxes, submitted her report, and the following Divisional Mite-box Secretaries gave encouraging reports: Mrs. M. P. Brown, for Virginia and Cincinnati Conferences; Mrs. F. H. Lord, for New England States; Mrs. Asa Lee Phillips, for Erie Conference; Mrs. E. W. Seeds, for the Ohio Conferences; Mrs. Minnie Ervin, for the Indiana Conferences; and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, for Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, for Middle States.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Aiken read the report of the Committee on Publication, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt Chairman, which was considered item by item.

On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, recommendations one, two, and three were adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole after the fourth recommendation was referred to the Chairmen of the respective Committees named in the recommendation.



Mrs. E. E. Marcy, Chairman, gave the report of the Elizabeth E. Marcy Industrial Home and School, Chicago, Ill. She stated that the property had cost \$30,000, and the debt at this time was only \$5,000. The house has been built and paid for, with the exception of the \$5,000, within the last ten years. No sum greater than \$100 had been given by any contributor. Within the last year exemption from municipal taxation has been granted, after great and protracted effort. When the work was opened it was for Bohemians alone, but as time passed it was impossible to confine our work to one nationality.

Pledges were made as follows: Illinois Conference, \$100; Iowa, \$5; Indiana, \$5; North Indiana, \$10; New York, \$10; Mrs. E. A. S. Barkeley, \$10.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams, Chairman, submitted the report for Ritter Home.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Williams, the question of a map, representing the location and character of our work in different parts of the country, was referred to Miss Van Marter.

Mrs. I. D. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That we diligently heed the request of Miss Van Marter, Chairman of the Committee on Leaflets, to secure from our Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands twenty-five cents each to sustain the Leaflet Fund.

The following Conferences were represented by their respective Corresponding Secretaries or substitutes:

Maine, by Mrs. H. C. Beedy; Indiana, by Mrs. A. V. P. Adams; Pittsburg, by Mrs. M. J. Schoyer; Troy, by Mrs. E. W. Simpson; Northern New York, by Mrs. I. L. Hunt; California, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. J. P. Negus; and Ohio, by Mrs. E. L. Albright.

By vote, these inspiring reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That a letter of warmest sympathy be sent by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, to Mrs. D. L. Kellicott, on account of the death of her husband, Professor Kellicott, a true friend of the Society.

Mrs. Aiken, for Miss Evans, the publisher of our official organ, presented the request that the following ladies constitute a Committee on Advertisements for *Woman's Home Missions*: Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth, Boston; Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Cincinnati; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Detroit; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, New York; Mrs. F. A. Arter, Cleveland; Mrs. J. A. Lantry, Brooklyn; Mrs. D. A. Minard, Buffalo; Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, Shelbyville, Ind.; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Allegheny, Pa.; Mrs. — Murphy, Malden, Mass.; Mrs. Levi Master, Jackson, Mich.; Mrs. M. H. Davis, Toledo, O.; Mrs. W. B. Pope.

Tecumseh, Mich.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Auburndale, Mass.

The Committee was indorsed, and, by vote, appointed.

Mrs. Rust moved that an expression of sympathy be sent from this Convention to Mrs. M. R. Crawford, Williamsport, Pa., one of our valued workers, who is detained by personal illness.

Carried, and Mrs. Rust invited to send the communication.

The doxology was sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE final session began at 7.30 o'clock, with the faithful President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. Hymn 117 was sung, and Mrs. F. L. Parker, of Finland, led in earnest prayer for God's blessing upon this land of many peoples and tongues, and for the spread of gospel light in all lands, after which three stanzas of the first hymn were sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. Walter S. Thompson sang, to the great delight of the audience, a beautiful solo.

The report of the Bureau for Mississippi, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, was read by Mrs. Aiken.

Pledges were made as follows: For E. L. Rust Home—Scholarships: Michigan Conference, \$40; North Ohio, \$50. For Bennett Home—Scholarships: Wyoming Conference, \$100; North Indiana, \$40; Northern New York, \$20; Ohio, \$200; North Ohio, \$50; New England, \$10; Grand Avenue Auxiliary, Kansas City, Mo., \$10; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, \$10; Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, \$10; Mrs. F. A. Arter, \$25; salary—Upper Iowa Conference, \$400.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In the absence of Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Secretary of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, Mrs. Aiken presented the report. The banner was again awarded to the Baltimore Conference.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The reports of General Organizers Mrs. B. S. Potter and Mrs. C. W. Gallagher were presented, and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Fisk, with much pleasure, reported the generous gifts from the ladies of the Churches in Minneapolis to Miss Moore, our missionary to the Apaches.

Mrs. Williams announced a kind contribution of money to the Treasury by the brethren of Wesley Church.

One stanza of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung.

The reports of Conferences without representation in this Conven-

tion, offered by Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Aiken, were, on motion, ordered printed in the Annual Report without reading.

On motion of Mrs. Bramley, the first part of the report of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations, submitted by Mrs. Everett, in view of the fact that the appropriations had been made in open session, was adopted without a second reading. The remainder of the report, involving resolutions, was read and adopted, and, on motion, the report as a whole was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Mrs. H. H. Reed, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken submitted the appended resolution, which was, on motion of Mrs. Beedy, adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Convention join the Recording Secretary in an expression of thanks to the Assistant Secretaries for their efficient services in recording the proceedings of this meeting.

Mrs. Hazlett offered the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this body be given to the General Officers of the Society for their untiring service and devotion during the Convention.

The report of the Committee on Scholarships was made by Mrs. D. L. Williams Chairman, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, this report was referred for publication, without reading. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. W. C. Herron, Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, this report was also referred for publication, without reading. (See Report.)

Mrs. Campbell presented the following resolution regarding the Emergency Fund, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That this Convention recommends that each Auxiliary of our Society be requested to make a contribution toward the Emergency Fund the coming year, in order that the work, so well begun, may continue until it is completed.

The report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Mrs. J. M. Leonard, and, on motion, considered item by item.

Item No. 1, page 279, Sixteenth Annual Report, Section VI, for Missionary Candidates, No. 5, the word "May" recommended to be changed to *April*. Adopted.

Item No. 8, page 280, under head of By-laws for Conference Societies, insert after the words "Auxiliary Society" and *Young Women's Society*; also, after the word "members" insert *and fraction thereof*. Adopted.

On motion, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk uttered kindly words of appreciation of the gracious services of the pages, and Mrs. Rust announced that these young ladies had each taken a ten-dollar subscription card to be filled for Rust Hall.

Mrs. Albright read the Minutes of the final session, which, on motion, were adopted.

Mrs. Fisk spoke earnest closing words, desiring God's blessing upon every one present, and the loved ones at home.

Solemnized were all hearts as Mrs. D. L. Williams read selected verses from the last chapter of Second Corinthians, and offered a soul-uplifting prayer, rejoicing in the consciousness of the Divine presence and blessing, while claiming God's promises and leadership for the future.

Mr. Oscar Seagle sang "God be with you till we meet again," the Convention joining in the chorus.

The meeting adjourned *sine die*. The Rev. F. A. Riggin pronounced the benediction.

The beauty and grace of Minnehaha Falls are pictured on memory's page; but the continuous hospitality and unvarying kindness of the Methodist women of Minneapolis, exhibited in their lovely homes, and graciously and bountifully dispensed each day in Wesley Church, are indelibly impressed upon the grateful hearts of the recipients.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,	}	<i>Assistants.</i>
MRS. B. S. POTTER,		
MISS MARTHA VAN METER,		
MRS. E. B. GREEN,		

# REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

MRS. R. S. RUST.

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CIRCUMSTANCES beyond my control have prevented the preparation for this annual gathering of such a Report as I earnestly desire to submit, and the merits of this cause so richly deserve. Not until a late hour did I cherish reasonable expectation of being present with you at this Anniversary, nor of being able to prepare even a brief Report for your consideration.

During the year I have carefully attended to the duties of the office, not allowing any interest to suffer for want of care and service. My recorded correspondence shows 3,400 pages of typewritten matter, while the unrecorded would make 2,000 pages more. The general correspondence of the Society is extensive; but I have not neglected that with missionaries, deaconesses, and Conference officers; have received and carefully examined their reports, and have, to the best of my ability, furnished such information and suggestion as each case seemed to demand.

The consideration of the various phases of the work, as it is represented in the monthly reports of our missionaries and organizers and the quarterly reports of Conference officers, requires much time and prayerful thought, in order to render them of value in securing efficiency and unity. The work, as it refers to organization and finance, is facilitated by the fact that our blanks bring to us the statistics, both of the membership and of the financial results, and enable us to ascertain the exact status of our work in each district and Auxiliary of the vast fields we are endeavoring to adjust and cultivate.

The correspondence with our devoted missionaries, exhibiting their heroism and willingness to make sacrifice for the advancement of the cause, is a constant source of inspiration. It gives their view of the field, shows what they are accomplishing, and what is needed of equipment and outlay for the highest usefulness of each mission. Largely-increased funds are needed to secure the full development of our missions, and enter the new fields opening and appealing to us for aid.

The correspondence with railroad officials has grown in magnitude and importance. These corporations, on application, grant us reduced rates for our workers. During the last year we have written over 1,500 letters, soliciting this favor from railroad officers, and arranging with missionaries and other workers for transportation, with the result of a saving to the Society on traveling expenses of more than \$2,500.

*The year has been marked by numerous tokens of the Divine favor.* Only a very small number of our missionaries have suffered from severe illness, and bereavement has come to the families of comparatively few of our Auxiliary, Conference, or General Officers. Truly, God has been

with us. Increasing prosperity in the country has facilitated the collection of funds, which encourages our workers to assume obligations and faithfully meet them. In most of the Conferences the reports of organization show growth in membership and interest in home missions, which will greatly increase the receipts of coming years.

The TREASURER'S REPORT furnishes an improved balance-sheet. The receipts for the fiscal year, ending July 15, 1897, were: Cash, \$156,960.54; supplies, \$71,519.04; total, \$228,485.58. For the year ending July 15, 1898: Cash, \$183,332.83; supplies, \$64,287.80; total, \$247,620.63; an advance of \$26,372.29 in cash receipts.

It is due to the Treasurer and to the Society to remember that when she entered upon the duties of the office the "debt" did not include several thousand dollars of outstanding bills for approved expenditures of the preceding year; but, not having been presented, did not appear on her books. There were no such claims at the close of the last year. The Society and the Treasurer are to be congratulated on our present improved financial condition, and with the Divine approval stimulating and prompting to greater effort, we may enthusiastically enter other fields inviting attention.

ECONOMY OF MANAGEMENT.—That our missions are near, and are conducted under the watch-care of the Board; that advantage can be taken by the Bureau in charge of home markets; and that all material for buildings and appliances for work can be secured at reasonable prices, enable us to obtain large results from a moderate expenditure of money. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has the advantage of all other benevolences of the Church in its low percentage of expenses of administration. Since its organization, the average cost of conducting the affairs of the Society,—including postage, printing, engraving, office charges, and the expenses of organization in the several Conferences, annual and special meetings, and the cost of sending \$804,547.60 worth of supplies to the field,—has been only a fraction over three per cent of the total receipts of the Society. This low per cent of cost in conducting its affairs is largely owing to the fact that the officers make a voluntary contribution of their time, and frequently of traveling expenses, and no officer of the Society, General or Conference, receives a salary for her services.

### OUR MISSIONS.

We do not here furnish details of the several missions, which are more appropriately included in the reports of the respective Bureaus; but only note a few incidents of especial interest, and call attention to new fields or features of the work, with such recommendations as seem to be necessary. Additions and repairs to our mission buildings have been made, as required for the growth of our work and the protection of our buildings.

At CAMDEN, S. C., the Industrial Home has been enlarged by the addition of a wing, which greatly increases its accommodations and

facilities. The school is in a prosperous condition, and is largely self-supporting.

At KING HOME, Marshall, Texas, the third story of the building has been finished and other improvements added, which contribute greatly to the influence of the institution.

At SIMPSON HOME, Orangeburg, S. C., the third story has also been finished, with equal advantage.

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME, Cincinnati.—The last dollar of its indebtedness having been paid during the year, it now enters with new courage and increased power upon its mission of usefulness in a needy section of this great city. It has already accomplished great good, and won the confidence of the people.

The ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME, Chicago, with a property worth \$40,000, with large plans of work, is burdened with a debt of \$5,000, which, with aid anticipated from the General Board, they expect to liquidate during the coming year. This will leave the management free to enlarge its facilities for the accomplishment of the noble object it has in view.

BANCROFT REST HOME, at Ocean Grove, dedicated last July, is an attractive and commodious building, and well adapted in all its details to the important purpose to which it has been consecrated. It furnishes a delightful resting-place for our tired deaconesses and missionaries, surrounded by inspiring religious associations and the invigorating influence of the ocean. It was made possible by the joint gift of \$1,000 by Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson and her sister, Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, in memory of their parents. The success of the enterprise is largely due to the efforts and liberality of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. Wilbur F. Day, aided by generous friends contributing money and furnishings.

At FORT SIMCOE, Washington, the mission for the Yakima Indians has been strengthened in its resources and influence by a grant of forty acres of fertile land. The tract is near the railroad station, which adds to its commercial value. The missionary at this point, Mrs. E. C. Miller, expects, by the culture of fruits and vegetables, cereals, etc., and good methods, to make it a model farm, and thus provide a valuable and much-needed object-lesson for the people. The grant is a part of the tract of one hundred and sixty acres assigned by the Government to the Columbia River Conference for missionary purposes.

The PHILADELPHIA DEACONESS HOME, through the liberality of Colonel Joseph Bennett, has completed additions and changes that double the capacity and usefulness of the institution.

BENNETT ACADEMY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, Clarkson, Mississippi. We have for several years maintained at this place an Industrial Home for girls, in connection with Woodland Academy. This is a preparatory school of advanced grade, and is the only one of its class available for the education of the youth of this section of the country. The Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, finding it difficult for lack of means

to suitably provide for it, granted to our Society a lease of the property for a term of ninety-nine years, for an annual rental of one dollar. The lease includes two hundred and fifty acres of land, largely in timber, which was purchased at a low price; also a two-story frame building, used for the school. Bennett Industrial Home, on the same campus, accommodates thirty girls. Dickson Hall, erected last year, accommodates sixteen, and bears the name of the generous donor of money for its erection, as a memorial to her son. Other buildings are available for our students. All are crowded; many students have this fall been denied admission for want of room, and additional accommodations are imperatively demanded.

This school is unique in character, and will carry out the plans of an Industrial School favored by its generous patron, Mrs. Ziba Bennett, whose gifts have largely sustained it in the past, and have enabled us to open the work under more favorable conditions this fall than ever before. Improved methods of farming will be introduced, and the land will be cultivated by young men attending the school, who may thus, in part, sustain themselves, and contribute to the support of the school.

By action of the Board of Trustees, the united enterprise will bear the name, "BENNETT ACADEMY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL."

The LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, at Washington, D. C., has been enlarged by renting additional buildings to accommodate the increasing number of students. Woman will be called in rapidly-increasing numbers to the widely-extending home missionary fields, and she must be thoroughly educated for her work. This is the only national training-school under the jurisdiction of our Society, and it must take rank among the very best in the Nation. Good work in preparing women for missionary service is done in several of our Deaconess Homes, but under disadvantages that do not exist in an institution arranged in all its details with special reference to the preparation of missionaries for their glorious work. With our cities clamoring at the doors of our Training-school for deaconesses, and Conference Boards soliciting the aid of our Society to open Deaconess Homes, which we are unable to do for the want of trained workers, we have now the added claim of the countries where, through the chances and sacrifices of war, our flag has been unfurled. We rejoice to know that young women of character and culture in large numbers are offering themselves for this service. It seems as though the deaconess "had come to the kingdom for such an hour as this."

CONFERENCE MANAGERS.—We referred last year to the charter of the Training-school, which provides that there shall be a Manager in each Conference, nominated by the Conference Society, and elected by the General Board of Managers, and we desire to call attention to the importance of this office in its relation to the missionary service of the Society. The duty of the Training-school Conference Manager is to endeavor to promote an interest in the school throughout the Conference, secure funds for its support and for scholarships, and especially to



*interest competent, cultured young women to prepare themselves for missionary service by a course of training in the school.* The measure of success to be achieved by the Society will be determined by the character and culture of our missionaries.

DEACONESS HOMES HAVE BEEN OPENED DURING THE YEAR under the auspices of the Society at Denver, Col., Wichita, Kan., and Jersey City, N. J. Single deaconesses have been stationed at East Orange and Paterson, N. J., Glens Falls, N. Y., while steps are being taken to open Deaconess Homes at Indianapolis, Ind., and at several other places.

The Society has associated with it in the several Conferences twenty-nine Deaconess Homes and centers of work, nearly two hundred deaconesses are employed, and \$240,751.79 invested in buildings.

The supervision, which can be provided for a connectional organization like the Woman's Home Missionary Society co-operating with the Conference Boards, is of great value in securing unity of action among the Homes. This, and the support given by the established Auxiliaries, are promotive of strength, efficiency, and permanency to the Homes so related, advantages which an entirely local organization can not easily provide.

MEDICAL MISSION AT BOSTON.—This mission, conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was inaugurated by Professor Harrietta J. Cooke, a Christian educator of long experience and great ability. Years of successful work have demonstrated its value as a missionary agency. This mission in Boston is associated with the College Settlement, and is temporarily conducted on the first floor of an ordinary dwelling-house, which furnishes an office and reception-room, bath and store-rooms, and closets.

Dr. Howard Powers, of the Boston University, is Medical Director. Dr. J. Ulrich is a specialist for diseases of the skin, Dr. Allan Horr for the eye and ear. These, with the nurse, Miss Addie Wade, and the resident physician, Earnest Hoffses, comprise the medical staff. One morning every week each of the physicians meets his patients, rendering his services gratuitously. The patients, when able, pay a small fee, which is expended for medicines and supplies. During the year 1,653 patients have been treated at the office, many of them frequently. Dr. Hoffses is a medical student, and during the term he returns from the college at three P. M., visits and receives calls the balance of the day and evening. Within the year he has attended 758 different cases, and made 2,613 visits to patients in their homes. The nurse, Miss Wade, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital, is in attendance during office hours, and in eight months made 922 visits to the sick, instructing the ignorant, caring for the suffering, providing comforts for the needy, but, best of all, carrying the blessed Christ with her to illumine the abodes of squalor and wretchedness with the light and love of heaven.

The hour of Clinic is improved by the missionaries in a service of song and prayer. The patients often crowd the reception-room, come

early, and generally remain until the close of the hour, thus attesting their interest in this feature of the work. Who can measure the influence of these strong Christian men and women upon those whom they thus befriend?

The entire cost of the mission last year, including \$144 for room-rent, was only \$1,059.70. We visited the mission during the year, and, from all that we could see and learn, can most cordially commend the enterprise, and recommend its introduction wherever practicable as a most valuable adjunct of the city mission or Deaconess Home.

#### STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY WORK.

The following table is prepared from the monthly reports of our missionaries to the General Office, and is as nearly correct as it is possible to make it from the data furnished. The most important features of the work, and influences set in operation in these missions, can not be fully represented by figures. Conditions of need differ widely in the several fields, and necessitate the employment of a great variety of agencies. Each mission has important features peculiar to itself, which can not be presented in a table that, of necessity, includes only the more obvious and uniform elements of our mission work. Another year, with full reports in hand, improved tables, illustrative of our missions and the labors of the workers, may be furnished.

The difficulties met in the attempt to tabulate such a report are illustrated by examples. The Medical Mission in East Boston is unique in character, having its clinic, a large number of patients who are treated at the office and in their homes, its trained nurses going from house to house, its supplies department, medical dispensary, and all co-operate with evangelistic and other helpful agencies. Glenn Home, also, in Cincinnati, with its Mothers' Meetings, its industrial and literary clubs for working girls, its reading-room and technical school for boys, Sabbath-school, temperance, Home Missionary, and other meetings. Marcy Home, in Chicago, likewise deals with Bohemians and other foreign elements of population. Our mission in behalf of Italians in New Orleans must employ methods adapted to meet the needs of this people in a climate and under circumstances widely different from those found in our mission in Alaska. The Children's Homes at York, Tivoli, and Urbana demand another kind of agencies. Our immigrant work deals with conditions, and meets wants that are found only where foreigners, landing in a strange country, ignorant and bewildered, need a helping hand to guide them in safety and comfort. Our missions and schools among Indians and Mormons have their peculiar needs, while the work provided for by our two hundred deaconesses in our thirty Deaconess Homes and stations is adapted to meet the needs of each respective locality.

For tabulated statement of the work of these Homes and stations, see the report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconesses.

(For Deaconess Work See Report, Page 121.)

**\*\* Average Attendance of Children in School, 50.**

**"MODEL HOMES"** are associated with the colleges, provided for by the Church, and furnish instruction in the arts of home-making. The senior classes are assigned to the Home which prepares the students for missionary service among the people. INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS provide also for literary instruction.

\* Garments distributed. † Bibles and leaf-clusters distributed. Leaflets, 1035.

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**NEW FIELDS.**

HAWAII will undoubtedly be annexed at an early date to the United States. Conditions of need exist there which strongly appeal to Christian women, and we recommend an appropriation for the support of a medical missionary, a trained nurse-deaconess, and a Japanese Bible-reader, the work to be commenced as soon as Governmental relations are established and the necessary fund secured.

PORTO RICO, also, will come under the control of our Government. Being near, a mission can be established here with the necessary supervision and supplies, and we solicit the approval of this Board for the raising of a special fund for the organization of deaconess work at some feasible point on the island, where it may co-operate with and aid in the establishment and mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the PHILIPPINES it seems equally important that our Society should accompany our flag and the agents of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and establish deaconess work there as soon as the required funds can be obtained.

CUBA, and possibly other islands, in the near future may come into such relations to our Government as will make them home missionary fields, and place upon us obligations and duties in their behalf. Wherever our flag, emblem of "liberty and humanity," may float, unless we greatly misinterpret the handwriting of God in the events of the late war, there should be found the Woman's Home Missionary Society vigorously prosecuting its Christlike work.

KEY WEST.—During the last year the Society has contributed to the support of two missions in behalf of the suffering and neglected Cuban and Spanish population gathered there, many of them refugees from Spanish tyranny. This point furnishes good vantage-ground for extending missions in Cuba. There are thousands on the island ready to accept the teachings of the Christian religion, and who, converted, may successfully carry the Word to their people at home.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—An earnest appeal for aid comes to us in behalf of the Spanish-American population of this section. These are citizens of our country, clothed with the rights of citizenship, and unless they are given Christian education, they will continue a menace to our civilization.

CITIES, with their Sabbath desecration, their unassimilated foreign populations, saloons, extremes of poverty and wretchedness, their anarchistic and other dangerous associations, present an alarming combination of claims that the Society can not neglect or treat with indifference. A few workers are struggling against the great swelling tide of iniquity, which threatens to destroy all that is lovely and of good report among us. We should not be content with a single Deaconess Home in a large city, where the needs of the field demand that there should be a score of these fountains of healing influence.

### ORGANIZATION.

In our report last year we called attention to the fact that there are more than five thousand Churches without organizations, where an Auxiliary of our Society could be successfully established and maintained, and suggested that it would be a wise expenditure of funds to send competent organizers to enlist the sympathy of ministers and congregations in this good cause. The events of the year convince us of the advantage of such effort, and the need of still greater endeavor to enlarge the membership of the Society.

Our General Organizers, Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, and Mrs. Charles W. Gallagher, have rendered most valuable aid in their respective fields, and by their intelligent representations of our work have increased our membership and awakened great enthusiasm in behalf of the cause. Their reports will give details of their work.

Many of our Conference Societies have secured the aid of competent women in their own Conference, who are successfully co-operating with the officers in organization.

Miss Iva May Durham, having the appointment of "Deaconess at Large," has proved herself a very successful advocate of the interests of the Society, by increasing the membership, enlisting pupils for the Training-school at Washington, and in obtaining contributions for the general work.

### FIELD SECRETARY.

The services of Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft were secured, in pursuance of the action of the General Board of Managers last year, which provided for "the election of a Field Secretary for Deaconess Work, whose duty it would be to co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the establishment and supervision of Deaconess Homes and centers of deaconess work, in the assignment of deaconesses to fields of labor, in the representation of the interests of the department, and in the endeavor to secure helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school." She entered upon her duties in April, has visited a large number of our Deaconess Homes, represented the Society at summer resorts, Conference anniversaries, Epworth League Conventions, made addresses in many of our Churches, organized Auxiliaries, and has obtained cash donations and pledges to the amount of about \$2,000.

### BEQUESTS.

The report showed that during last year thirty-six bequests had been made to our Society, averaging about \$1,000 each, several of which are now in course of settlement. From these \$13,381.70 came into the treasury during the fiscal year. Payments on others have been received since its close, and we have had private information of many wills made in our favor. This is encouraging, as it indicates that our methods of work and our economy of administration are approved by those who have

funds to devote to benevolent work. The care of bequests is an important item of the work of the office, and requires much time, thought, and consultation.

The ANNUITY provision of the Woman's Home Missionary Society furnishes an absolutely safe investment; yields a good interest, payable annually or semi-annually as desired; and it especially commends itself to ladies, who often find difficulty in satisfactorily placing funds on which they depend for an income.\*

It is necessary once more to call attention to the importance of giving the full name, "The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," to all desiring information in regard to the writing of wills. When the distinctive word "Woman's" is omitted, it sometimes causes great embarrassment, delay, and loss in the settlement of estates. Our friends everywhere can aid in this matter by being careful, in speaking or writing of our Society, to give its name accurately. One bequest made to the "Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," contested by relatives, went to the higher courts, and was in each case decided in favor of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the costs consuming a large part of the bequest.

#### ARBITRATION.

Reference was made in our Report a year ago to the bequest of Lucy A. Williams, of Pittsfield, Illinois, which had been made to "The Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and was referred for construction to the Court of Chancery in Illinois by the executors, and the Court had decided that the "*Woman's* Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church" was the organization intended by the maker of the will. An appeal from this decision was made by the Missionary Society, and the decision was reversed by the Appellate Court. Then the case, with all the evidence, was, on appeal of our Society, referred to the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society, which granted our request for a settlement by arbitration. A Committee was selected representing both Societies, and, as stated in our Report, we expected a decision by arbitration at an early day. Later the attorney of the Missionary Society decided that "The Managers of the Missionary Society had no power, under their charter, to refer such cases to arbitration." Members of the Board dissented from this opinion, and it was finally proposed to divide the bequest equally between the two interested Societies, which offer the Woman's Home Missionary Society accepted as "under the circumstances the best practicable settlement of the case that could be secured."

If misunderstandings arise between our benevolent organizations, we would most earnestly recommend settlement by arbitration, as being most in harmony with the spirit of the Gospel and with the Discipline of our Church. We do not think it seemly for benevolent societies to

\* For further information address the Corresponding Secretary, 623 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

squander sacred money in the secular courts. It wrongs the donors, and scandalizes the administrators of the charity. It is the duty of the officers of the organization to use all proper means to see that the intentions and wishes of its deceased friends, who can no longer speak for themselves, are carried out, and this result could be obtained by a reference of the facts in the case to a Committee, who might carefully weigh the evidence and decide according to equity. After the arbitration of this case had been agreed upon, we received letters of congratulation from Missionary Secretaries, Bishops, and others, who were interested and well informed as to the merits of the case, and who stand high in the esteem of the Church, all of them cordially approving "this more Christian method of settling differences." But under existing conditions, it is difficult to secure this great and mutual advantage without additional legislation by the General Conference, by which all difficulties and misunderstandings among its organizations may be harmoniously adjusted.

#### DEACONESS WORK AND THE CHURCH.

The relation of the deaconess work to the Church and to the Woman's Home Missionary Society is vital, and should be thoroughly understood and appreciated. Certain forms of expression have been employed in designating the Homes and the deaconesses themselves, which tend to confuse and mislead, such as "This Home or deaconess belongs to, or is under the *General Church*," or "That Home or deaconess belongs to, or is under, the Woman's Home Missionary Society."

By the use of these terms, it is implied that the "Independent" Homes are more closely connected with the Church than are those of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, while, in fact, the opposite of the inference is true. The Discipline of our Church, which is the only authority on this subject, neither recognizes nor sanctions any such distinction.

The "GENERAL CHURCH," or the "visible Church of Christ on earth," includes all believers, Catholics and Protestants. In this connection, it is limited to the denomination, and the claim logically includes the entire membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, represented by our General Conference. The word "under" refers to supervision, possibly including the idea of support.

The GENERAL CONFERENCE (See Discipline, Paragraphs 205 to 213, inclusive) authorizes "all the benevolent societies of the Church to freely employ deaconesses and maintain Homes in the prosecution of their work;" it provides for a "Deaconess Board" in each Conference, and leaves these several Boards free to choose the agency of support best adapted, in their judgment, to secure success in the locality. Certain Homes have been established by individuals, others have adopted the plan of public collections as a means of support, and a large number are associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society as a supporting agency.

AN ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN IS DEMANDED to make the work effective. The Churches in many places hesitate to assume the additional



burden of another collection; individual contributions are unreliable, as *where the institution is not so related as to claim the help of the Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society*, it has been found necessary to organize Deaconess Aid Societies. When this relation exists, the funds collected in the name of the Society for this object are reported through its treasurer, and it is provided that the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be represented in the local Board of Management; but this Board, and the Homes so affiliated, are under the same Disciplinary and ecclesiastical control as are the Independent Homes.

THE LAW OF OUR CHURCH on this subject is contained in the paragraphs of the Discipline, 205 to 213. *All Methodist deaconesses and Homes are alike under the "general control" of the Annual Conference, through its Deaconess Board. All Deaconess Homes, whatever their affiliation for economical purposes, are managed by local Boards, elected by the local patrons of the work, the property is held by the local Board, and the funds used in their support are secured in the locality or within the bounds of the patronizing Conference. All deaconesses must alike pass the prescribed probation and examination, must be nominated by a Quarterly Conference or the institution where trained, appointed by the Annual Conference, and must submit annually to its approval as a condition of continuing in the work. It is definitely provided that "No Home shall be recognized as a Methodist Deaconess Home until it be authorized by the Conference Board and approved by the Annual Conference, and shall conform to the regulations of this chapter."*

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE has control, through its Deaconess Board, of all the interests of deaconess work within its bounds. Methodist membership being everywhere included in Conferences, it is evident that the "General Church," which has no authority except through the *General Conference*, nor organization to administer the Home, can have no responsibility for or duty towards deaconesses, either individually or collectively, because with whatever organization affiliated the individual deaconess or Home belongs to the individual Conference. The Bishops are the only general agents of the "Church" who can exercise any control in this matter, they having been assigned the duty "to provide a course of study for deaconesses."

It is evident, since all Deaconess Homes and deaconesses, by the provisions of the Discipline, have the same relation to the Conference, and no Home or deaconess can have any relation to the "Church" except through the Annual Conference, that it is not only incorrect, but misleading as to the facts in the case, to say that an Independent Home is "Under the Church," or "the General Church," and a Home which receives support from an organization of the Church is "under the Woman's Home Missionary Society," because it is implied that the independent work is supported or supervised by, and sustains a peculiar relation to, the great Methodist Church, that is not enjoyed by those connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which is not true.

RELATIVE ADVANTAGES enjoyed by the "Home Missionary" or affiliated Homes. There are two points of difference between the Independent and the Woman's Home Missionary Society Homes. The former depend for assistance upon a local Deaconess Aid Society, whenever it is practicable to organize another woman's society, while the latter have the support of the Auxiliaries of the permanent connectional organization. The Woman's Home Missionary Society Homes have this advantage, that in its connectional capacity the Society can furnish a general supervising agency and medium of communication between the Homes, for their mutual advantage, which is not possessed by the Independent Homes. This relation to an approved general organization of the Church *constitutes a strong bond of union with it, and a relationship of such Homes to the entire Church, that is not enjoyed by the Independent Homes.*

Since Deaconess Homes and deaconesses all exist under the same law, and hold the same relation to the Church, the General Conference having recognized the right and privilege of individuals and organizations to enter upon and prosecute this good work, it is fitting that every agency engaged in it should be welcomed and encouraged, and great care should be taken by all not to encroach or cast a shadow upon each other's work, or claim successes belonging to another.

CENTERS OF WORK.—Under the present arrangement, each Conference has the control of its own institutions and work, and they are co-ordinate in authority. Properly speaking, there can be no general "center" of deaconess work, including the work of the various Conferences engaged in it. Chicago or Washington can no more appropriately claim to be "the center," than Cincinnati Conference or Detroit, or any other where provision is made for deaconess work.

### RETROSPECTION.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church celebrates its eighteenth anniversary, a period of great significance to our sex, which should inaugurate for the Society an era of greater effort and usefulness. Organized at Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1880, the first meeting of its Board of Managers was held in that city October, 1882, two years after its organization.

The earlier years of its history were characterized by struggle and sacrifice, as well as by glorious triumphs and achievements. The Church, so absorbed in sustaining existing benevolences, did not give a hearty welcome to an additional claimant for its sympathy and support. Our little band of Christian women, without experience in general Church work, felt impelled by the Holy Spirit to enter upon this mission work in behalf of our own country. We now appreciate more fully the difficulties that were to be encountered. Could we have anticipated all the obstacles that we have been compelled to meet, it would have been a great trial to our faith, and might have delayed this important movement.

It was found necessary to obtain the consent of the Annual Conference before forming Auxiliaries within its bounds. The Corresponding Secretary, in this interest, visited forty-eight Conferences during the first four years, some of them several times. In 1884 the Woman's Home

Missionary Society was received by the General Conference into full connection with the sisterhood of benevolent organizations, and authorized to prosecute its work. At this time 712 Auxiliaries had been formed in 54 Conferences, with 16,500 members, and the work was successfully inaugurated in the Southern and Western frontiers, with 21 missionaries in the field. That year, 1884, the Society raised, in cash, \$17,039.70, and sent supplies to 512 ministers' families, the estimated value of which was \$7,869.97, and *Woman's Home Missions*, the organ of the Society, had reached a circulation of 6,000.

In retrospecting the work of eighteen years, we are now able to report 79 Conference Societies, with 2,600 organizations and 73,212 members. We have 100 distinct missions, and more than 300 missionaries and deaconesses doing most excellent work for Christ and humanity. Over 2,000 girls are now under instruction, and more than 5,000 who have been instructed by our missionaries are doing good missionary work, either as teachers, missionaries, or wives of ministers, teachers, or citizens.

Our missions are among the colored and the white people in the Southland; among the Mormons, the Indians, the Spanish Americans of New Mexico, Arizona, and Southern California; the Chinese and Japanese, and the neglected foreign and other needy populations of our cities. Our school buildings and Mission Homes dot the land from Florida to Oregon, and in far-away Alaska. They are inexpensive structures, adapted to the needs of the work, and represent a property value of over half a million of dollars.

The Home mission field is divided into sections and departments of work, which include the several missions of the Society, and each section is placed in the care of a Committee, or Bureau. Seven of these are assigned to the Southern work, and have the oversight of the seventeen Industrial Homes and schools in that section. There is a Bureau for Missions in Utah, one for Indian and Frontier Work, and two in New Mexico and Arizona, one having charge of the Indian, and the other of the Spanish American work in these Territories. Another for Alaska, and still another for Immigrants, with its missions in our seaboard cities.

THE BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK has charge of twenty Homes, Hospitals, and Training-schools, ten stations, and the duty of stationing of deaconesses all over the United States. The Bureau for Local Mission Work has jurisdiction of the local missions not included in other Bureaus throughout the country. The Department of Young People's Work, the one for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, and another for the promotion of Systematic Beneficence, include work in every Conference, and are designed to reach the entire Church. The work of the Bureau for Orientals is principally on the Pacific Coast.

THE SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT in eighteen years has sent to our ministers and families on the frontiers goods which, at a low estimate, are valued at \$804,547.60. These were included in 22,987 packages, worth, on an average, \$35 each. Those who have read the grateful letters acknowledging the receipt of barrels of supplies may have some conception of the happiness and comfort given by such packages.

The Society in eighteen years has distributed not less than 90,000,000 pages of Home Missionary literature.

*Woman's Home Missions*, the organ of the Society, was established in 1883: It has always been self-supporting, and has steadily grown in interest and influence. Mrs. H. C. McCabe has been its editor from the beginning. Mrs. S. W. Thompson served as Publisher three years, and was succeeded by Miss Mary Belle Evans. The paper has a circulation of over 16,500.

*Children's Home Missions* was established in 1894, and has a circulation of 8,000. It is edited by Miss Martha Van Marter.

The first enterprise of the Society was the erection of a large building for a Home and Boarding Department for the Salt Lake Seminary, at a cost of \$6,000. The Society, in 1882, commenced in Utah the erection of inexpensive buildings, which have served as school-room, chapel, and a home for the missionary teachers. It has had thirteen of these missions in that Territory, and our work has been largely instrumental in the overthrow of the old conditions and the introduction of a public school system.

The Society at first sent missionaries to visit the people in their homes, to gather the children into primary schools, and the women into Mothers' Meetings, where they were given instruction in the methods of housekeeping, the laws of sanitation, and the duties of the Christian religion.

Later, the Model Home was introduced, and our work took a more permanent form, associated with the high grade schools of the Church.

It has had in the field for eighteen years an average of 57 missionaries, making 1,026 years of missionary service provided for. Our deaconesses in the eight years since the work was inaugurated have made 940,000 visits to the sick and needy, this being only one item of their service.

The Society in 1892 had made pledges for the extension of the work, based upon its rapidly-increasing treasury. The financial depression of the last few years seriously affected receipts, and in order to keep its pledges and sustain the work a debt of about \$48,000 was incurred. It is a subject for rejoicing that not a single missionary has been withdrawn from the field, our buildings are everywhere in good repair, the work has been extended in the frontiers by the erection of several of our most expensive buildings, and the work in cities has been increased during this period of financial stringency by the preparation and work of over 190 deaconesses, and Deaconess Homes to the value of \$216,101.79, while the debt of \$48,000 has been reduced to \$17,000.

The total value of property held by the Society for mission purposes is \$541,101.79; (Deaconess Homes held by local Boards in the name of the Society, \$216,101.79; other missions and schools, \$325,000.)

The total receipts of the Society during eighteen years are \$2,385,804.89; cash, \$1,581,257.29; supplies, \$804,547.60.

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. Organiza- tions.....	MEMBERSHIP.					Life-members....	Honorary Managers .....	Honorary Patrons.....	Woman's Home Missions: No. Subscribers....	Children's Home Mis- sions.....
		Auxiliaries,	Mission Circles.....	Mission Bands .....	Mothers' Jewels.....	Home Mis- sion Read- ing Circle.					
Atlanta.....	67	2867	197	10	212	34	10	3	650		
Baltimore.....	38	635	80			12			177		
California.....	1	13							5		
Central Alabama.....	9	128	79			1			41		
Central Illinois.....	3	43				1			4		
Central Missouri.....	99	1714	334	393	494	115	6	1	788		
Central New York.....	57	1159	184	30	103	129	10	6	306		
Central Ohio.....	39	926	50	20	887	74	4		259		
Central Pennsylvania.....	120	1515	309	298	1518	379	38	16	522		
Cincinnati.....	34	654	16	15	176	50	2		138		
Colorado.....	5	64				6					
Columbia River.....	19	260				7					
Des Moines.....	119	2495	81	52	258	15	35		652		
Detroit.....	4	29									
East Maine.....	74	1376	232	92	325	2	10	2	408		
East Ohio.....	15	149							18		
East Tennessee.....	77	1353	118	32	229	21	3		522		
Erie.....	9	59	23			15					
Florida.....	69	1576	127	78	98	221	6	14	629		
Genesee.....	6	95	35	22		1	1		2		
Holston.....	5	7	10								
Idaho.....	33	401	10	30		20	27		161		
Illinois.....	46	1082	56	94	159	16	3		244		
Indiana.....	41	607	62	174	11	141	1		257		
Iowa.....	17	323		85	10	52			111		
Kansas.....	3	13				1	1	1	10		
Kentucky.....	2	30									
Lexington.....	1	15				2			3		
Little Rock.....	33	407	46		30	5			27		
Louisiana.....	26	447	4		10				117		
Maine.....	60	1237	83	32		113			431		
Michigan.....	21	395			99	44			215		
Minnesota and North. Minnesota.	12	96	15						13		
Missouri.....	20	361			18	28			71		
Nebraska.....											

Newark.....	61	1460	158	215	458	63	106	5	.....	374	.....
New England.....	98	1988	140	67	540	78	259	31	13	736	.....
New England Southern.....	42	800	135	40	31	15	58	16	.....	320	.....
New Hampshire.....	33	580	38	11	312	.....	12	4	.....	181	.....
New Jersey.....	55	1406	196	92	303	99	35	3	.....	285	.....
New Mexico Mission.....	2	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York.....	32	999	62	.....	.....	.....	12	7	.....	209	.....
New York East.....	24	605	43	.....	.....	.....	15	3	.....	196	.....
North Indiana.....	53	1231	153	232	235	196	15	2	4	340	.....
North Nebraska.....	18	288	24	52	134	22	45	.....	.....	86	.....
North Ohio.....	54	1203	21	2	153	9	201	.....	.....	413	.....
Northern New York.....	71	1227	269	160	223	65	32	5	.....	375	.....
Northwest Indiana.....	39	593	37	104	75	.....	15	.....	.....	128	.....
Northwest Iowa.....	90	1484	60	149	160	65	56	4	.....	500	.....
Northwest Kansas.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northwest Nebraska.....	5	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio.....	44	1023	51	106	301	66	250	10	1	422	.....
Oklahoma.....	2	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oregon.....	16	184	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	2	.....	43	.....
Philadelphia.....	40	1149	218	.....	49	18	163	36	5	451	.....
Pittsburg.....	57	1248	144	131	94	.....	81	5	1	388	.....
Puget Sound.....	27	250	15	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....
Puget River.....	48	1140	.....	.....	.....	.....	126	35	11	303	.....
St. Louis.....	5	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Kansas.....	5	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	14	.....
Southern California.....	104	1202	373	482	166	11	35	.....	3	261	.....
Southern Illinois.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwest Kansas.....	21	408	.....	.....	.....	23	51	.....	.....	152	.....
Tennessee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Texas.....	2	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	8	.....
Troy.....	69	1485	142	285	.....	60	117	14	4	682	.....
Upper Iowa.....	72	1497	26	99	89	96	219	14	3	632	.....
Upper Mississippi.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Utah Mission.....	5	176	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....
Vermont.....	33	400	38	43	.....	.....	43	6	.....	135	.....
Virginia.....	3	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	6	.....
Washington.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Nebraska.....	5	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	8	.....
West Texas.....	21	262	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	11	.....
West Virginia.....	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Wisconsin.....	22	394	.....	44	6	.....	34	.....	.....	82	.....
Wilmington.....	42	658	109	289	259	.....	9	5	.....	185	.....
Wisconsin.....	17	196	10	60	21	.....	1	.....	.....	111	.....
Wyoming.....	50	893	93	152	371	43	121	6	.....	331	.....
Totals.....	2572	49536	4700	4307	8384	1846	4010	378	88	15341	7750

ANNUAL ADDRESS  
BEFORE THE GENERAL BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY  
SOCIETY, OCTOBER 23, 1898.

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BY MRS. WILLIAM CHRISTIE HERRON.

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WHEN the first anniversary of this Society was held, seventeen years ago, the speaker who gave the address said, "In this era of great subjects, of which so many are continually pressing upon our attention, the speaker of moderate powers is to be congratulated that, while lacking the ability of the masters of speech, he is called upon to plead causes so great that their merest outline is impressive, matters so vast that an unadorned sketch of their proportion arrests and commands attention."

That one who had this opportunity is to be envied. How easy the task, how inspiring the theme! But when we remember that this theme has been handled so often and so well, that the outlines have been filled in so masterly a manner by those who have from time to time presented the subject, that the sketch has been so beautifully adorned, it is small wonder that one hesitates to undertake the task.

As I have glanced over the volumes of our Annual Report during these past weeks, and read with deepening interest the history of this Society from its beginning, the plans and hopes—yes, and discouragements of its founders, though these are rarely mentioned, the prophecies of wise leaders in the Church, and their more than fulfillment, I have wished that I might cull from its pages, here and there, and give to you as I found it matter far more interesting than I can present to you to-night.

Last year, your hearts were stirred as you listened to the description of the magnitude of our country and of its vast resources, of its wonderful destiny as a leader among nations; the thought was impressed upon you that our country is a great mission-field, not only for those in the homeland, but for the foreigner who is constantly coming to our shores.

Since these words were uttered, our country has passed through great experiences; she has stepped forth from her isolation; she has listened to the voice of God as truly as did Israel of old; she has heeded the cry of the oppressed, and gone forth in the cause of humanity to battle for the right against cruelty and oppression—the first time in the history of nations where such unselfishness and magnanimity have been displayed.

Our country has been led through these experiences to a position

among nations, which has greatly enlarged her influence and responsibility. She has become a united country through the cementing together of the hearts of all the people "in endearing friendship and undying love." Says a distinguished statesman: "These men who died may not have known, but you and I know, that the roar of their battles was but the echo of God's footsteps, marching on. I am deeply impressed with the thought that this great Western Hemisphere of ours is under the especial guidance of God's great plan, that we, as a people, are struggling onward and upward to the fulfillment of a great purpose."

Is not the mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society revealed in its importance and greatness by our recent war? Is not every woman's heart filled with enthusiasm and determination that our country must fulfill its destiny, and that this organization must do its part toward that fulfillment?

It must be our duty to put forth renewed efforts to carry on the work already under our charge, and also to carry to the newly-acquired territory, where ignorance, sin, superstition, and sorrow abound, the blessings of a better and a truer life.

Early in the history of the Society, Bishop Fowler wrote these words to its founders: "There are a million homes in the South among the colored people, and twice as many among the poor whites of the South, that need some one to enter with new ideas and new spirit, that they may be elevated into Christian homes. This work, gentle ladies, lies at your feet. There are families of missionaries on the frontier and among the pioneers that could be blessed with many comforts, were an efficient agency at work in the field. There is a sad voice from the broken-hearted women of Utah that has already penetrated the ear of God, and must soon reach the heart of the Christian women of the land. This work is seeking somebody's feet, where it may fall and plead. I see no reason why this angel of benevolence, so full of sympathy, energy, and ability, and so earnestly seeking something to do, may not find enough to justify and insure usefulness in these great fields, so wide, so vast, and so necessitous."

Not many months ago the Society celebrated its eighteenth birthday. It is no longer a child; it has reached its majority. May we not question it to-night as to what it has accomplished and what are its plans for the future? Is it keeping up with the marvelous development of the times? Is it an influential factor in the world's work of to-day in the bringing about the Kingdom of Righteousness?

When Emerson was asked to define the word "Civilization," he answered, "It is the power of good women."

During the last quarter of a century more organizations have been started with the definitive term "Woman's" prefixed to them than during the world's history before. We can not enumerate them; but no one can fail to observe the great force which is so powerfully affecting the closing years of the nineteenth century, and which bids fair to be even



more powerful in the twentieth century—the great power which women are exerting through organization, and the direction in which this power is used.

It is a very significant fact that, as women's clubs have sprung up all over the land, the object of which, primarily, was self-improvement or amusement, the tendency has been constantly toward the broader field which includes the study of those subjects which are helpful to humanity. The consciousness of women has awakened toward those conditions which indicate the need of social regeneration.

The idea has forced itself upon them that, if they would lead fruitful and blessed lives, they must live with the life of their times; they must live with their generation, or they will not truly live at all.

"The introduction of the feminine element into the world, and more especially the world of moral reform," says one writer, "involves a new phase of civilization; it means that the forces of reform are to be strengthened and enlarged to an enormous extent. The half of the race, which of old has been counted out of the race in such movements, is now to be counted in. It looks, therefore, as if we were entering upon a new stage of civilization, in which the feminine influence will be powerful everywhere; and with it will come a higher moral tone, a keener and more sensitive moral sentiment, and a profounder and more pervasive sense of moral obligation."

Women have learned that, to have fitness for this undertaking, they must be trained in self-control, honesty of purpose, careful judgment, and well-considered methods. Nothing but the highest development of character will meet the situation. They have learned that every woman has an imperative duty toward humanity, and that time and opportunity for its fulfillment must be found; and in doing this she need in no way neglect the more important duties of home life.

The whole question of the home is being treated with scientific care and unsparing devotion. Women still believe—and to this all true hearts will respond—that to make the world a world of homes is the surest hope for the well-being of the people; and they readily respond to the sentiment that, unless the corner-stone of the Nation rests upon the home, it rests upon a false foundation. It has been truly said that "sociological problems outside of home may be studied forever; they will never be remedied until the social problem within the home is settled."

The thought is constantly growing that, when the subject of home and child training employs the best intelligence of each mother, there will be less necessity for conferences to consider prison reform, social purity, or the thousand and one other moral agencies for the betterment of mankind. Every question that faces the American people to-day has its root in the home; and when every home in this country is what it should be, there will be no need for a campaign of reform.

The statement is often made that the Church is not meeting her

obligation in solving the social problems that confront her; that this is being done by other organizations which are composed largely of Church-members who are interested in the absorbing social and economic problems of the day. But let us, for a little while, consider what this, "our apostle" of the Church is doing toward solving these great problems. The significance of the name of this Society, "The Woman's Home Missionary Society," with the word "Home" always emphasized, will suggest to you that it is an organization which aims to help the homes of the people. It has peculiar claims upon all who believe that home is the first and mightiest of all agencies for hastening the coming of the Kingdom on the earth.

This Society began its work in the South by the establishment of model homes. Life in the cabins of the freedmen, and in the hovels of the poor whites, was found to be barren of all the elevating and refining influences of the true home—homes with neither floors, windows, nor any of the conveniences of the civilized life. The aim was to bring them under the influence of something like a true home, to give them a just conception of its Christian order, grace, and comfort, as it may be managed on a scale of a family of limited means; and so the Model Home was built—a pretty cottage with convenient apartments, kitchen, dining-room, sewing-room, bedroom, and parlor, tastefully and economically furnished, that it might be a model for the girls. As this organization stands for the home, it stands for patriotism of the highest order, for temperance, and for the uplifting of the poor and destitute.

To indicate what the Society has accomplished on these lines, your attention needs only to be called to the number of homes in the South where neatness, order, and economy are found, and where the home has been transformed from the one-room cabin to the house of several rooms; and from far-off Alaska, where our work has been carried, comes the report that two of the girls from the Jesse Lee Home have been married, and their housekeeping is so superior to that about them that it proves an object-lesson to all who come under its influence.

One of the most important factors in the education of the nineteenth century is industrial training. Paley says of education that, "In the most extensive sense of the word, it may comprehend every preparation made in our youth for the sequel of our lives." We hear much of the new education. What is the new education? And what was the old? We find, if we go back to the Middle Ages and trace the growth of the idea to the present time, that the seven liberal arts of the Middle Ages, consisting of grammar, rhetoric, and logic, arithmetic, geometry, astronomy, and music, constituted education in a very limited sense of the word.

A great change came with the Renaissance, with the rediscovery of beauty, of artistic form, and the moving power of Greek and Latin writers. With the multiplication of the works of these classical writers by means of printing, the inspiration to the men of the Renaissance themselves was so great that, to them, education came to mean the power

to read the Greek and Latin writers in the original, so that not only the thoughts of such writers, but the transcendent beauty of the style that clothed the thought might enlighten and humanize the student. The curriculum of study was thus fixed for three centuries; indeed, until the present time.

The first great apostle of the new education was Locke, who taught that true knowledge is the internal perception of the intellect; that mere learning is but one of four main ends of education, which molds, forms, or models the soul or mind. Rousseau, with him, believes that the end of education is the development of the complete human being. Pestalozzi and Froebel were of the same opinion. These three men did most to make this new education a living force. In later years, Herbert Spencer has attracted attention as the apostle of a new education, claiming that a new educational growth must come through the pursuit of scientific study rather than through the traditional Latin and Greek. He declares that new conditions are forcing new methods upon us. These must come if education is to be democratic, for the classics do not appeal to the large mass of the people. And so the new education embraces the thought, "learning by doing."

The fact that a large number of public and private schools are not considered complete without a department of industrial training, and that there are many schools throughout our land which are devoted to this kind of training, attest the truth of this idea that industrial training has become an important factor in the educational problem.

From a recent writer in Appleton's *Science Monthly* we quote the following: "Clearly, too, we shall continue at an ethical as well as a commercial disadvantage unless we replace the handicrafts of the primitive women, and build up the industrial arts—the all-important, ever-dignified, and beautiful pursuits of cooking and sewing, cleaning and repairing, needlework and embroidery, and home decoration.

"The most unlovely homes in the world are the bare, untidy homes of our working population. The most wasteful housewife on earth is the thriftless American housewife. To reinstate the skilled industries, to weave in beauty with the life of the people, we must carry manual and technical training and applied arts to the point of action—as it were, down among the degraded, the belated, the neglected, the submerged, in the slums, where ignorance revels, crime festers, and decent poverty hides; we should found cooking, sewing, and housekeeping schools, with carpentry centers, wood-carving, brass-hammering, drawing, molding, and other creative pursuits that will fascinate the roughest street-girl, and transform the boy tough into an eager, industrious artisan."

To this feature of the work the Woman's Home Missionary Society has especially addressed itself; and our model homes have become industrial homes, where the girls are instructed in cooking, sewing, and the varied duties of practical housekeeping. They are taught the economical use of money, dressmaking, millinery, care of the sick, and are given instruction in hygiene and sanitation.

With the literary instruction received from the Freedmen's Aid schools, which most of the girls attend (and when this is not possible, instruction is provided in connection with the home), they are prepared for honorable fields of labor, or, what is better still, to preside over their own homes, made comfortable and happy by the training thus acquired.

This Society has also extended its influence on these lines in another direction. At Glenn Home, in Cincinnati, a few years ago, in addition to the missionary and evangelistic work, a department of domestic science was introduced. The object of the enterprise was the introduction of industrial training into the public schools of the city; and the effort resulted in the approval and support of instruction in cooking in the high schools by the city Board.

General Francis A. Walker once said, "America is suffering from two curses—indigestion and alcoholism; both due to one and the same cause—the inability of the women of the lower and middle classes to prepare wholesome and nourishing food." An eminent teacher gives this testimony, "If food, badly selected, more badly prepared, and most badly served, causes discontent, friction, and outbursts of bad temper among those who by ties of blood are near, and should be dear to one another; if, in consequence of this friction, what should be a home becomes a hell—is it astonishing that the neighboring saloon, the street-corner, the dance-hall with its attendant evils, offer attractive contrasts?" She strongly urges that instruction in cooking and food values be given in our schools, not only for pedagogic reasons, but that the sociological factor such instruction must necessarily produce be allowed its fullest weight; and she says, "Those who are trying to make the lamp of learning throw some of its light into the almost hopelessly dark spots, found in all large communities, feel they must place the purely utilitarian above the purely pedagogic."

The following incident, from the pen of Mrs. Rust, in the *Home Missions*, emphasizes these facts:

"A few days ago I met a friend who related to me an interview with a deaconess in one of our Eastern cities.

"The deaconess said that one morning, as she was passing through a quarter of the city occupied by very poor people, she heard loud and angry words in a humble dwelling. The husband had given the wife a piece of money with which to provide the dinner for the family, and she angrily told him that she could do nothing with twenty-five cents; that, unless he gave her more, he might go to the saloon or anywhere he chose for his dinner; he need not come home.

"The deaconess entered and learned these facts. She said to the wife that she would show her how to get a nice dinner for twenty-five cents, and invited the husband to come home at the dinner hour. She found the house in confusion, anything but a comfortable and inviting place for husband or children—dirt everywhere, unmade bed, under which had been thrown tin cans and all sorts of rubbish.

"She purchased a ten-cent soup-bone, a head of cabbage, some carrots, a loaf of bread, apples, butter, pepper, salt, etc.—all for twenty-five cents. Returning, she assisted the woman in making her house clean and putting everything in good order. Soon the woman herself was encouraged by the savory odors of the simmering soup-bone to go forward with the work; and when the husband came home at noon, appearances had entirely changed. The table, for want of a cloth, was covered with a sheet of white paper, and appeared really elegant to the eyes of the husband, who was unaccustomed to cleanliness and order. The meal was enjoyed by the whole family; and the husband was, of course, greatly pleased, and every one happy.

"A few days after that, the deaconess was passing along the same street, when the husband approached her timidly, and said: 'See here, deaconess, we have had the best times at our house since you were there that we have had in a long while. Can't you teach my wife to make a puddin', or something like that, too?'

"The higher conception of the school as an institution for the up-building of character is now ready to reveal itself in the training of girls in the essentials of home-making. With that revelation will come true social progress."

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is to be congratulated that it has been successful in aiding in this good work; and it is well known that to introduce this instruction into the intermediate schools of Cincinnati, where it will be still more effective, is the cherished wish of some of its members. Would it not be well for the Society to endeavor to extend this work in other cities?

The activities of this latter part of the century center about the child. There is no object which seems to be better worthy of attention by the best-trained minds. The child is considered not so much for what it is as for what it is to be. "He is the unknown quantity that represents the future quality;" and so he has come to be the most important object to be considered in the home, the Church, and the State—not as the child, but as the future custodian of all that goes to make up life.

Some one has truly said, "Whatever we would do for our country we must do for its people; whatever we would do for its people must be done through and for its children."

By what process of education and development are they to be made valuable members of society? The answer comes from one well qualified to speak: "The foundations for national prosperity and perpetuity are to be laid deep down in our infant-schools. Kindergarten is the gate through which many a little outcast has re-entered Eden. Work with little children will always pay handsome dividends to the family, to the community, to the State, and to the world." When the old king demanded of the Spartans fifty of their children as hostages, they replied, "We would prefer to give you a hundred of our most distinguished men." This was but a fair testimony to the everlasting value of a child to any

commonwealth and to any age. A republic that expects to survive, and to increase in power and greatness, must see to it that she does not carry within her the seeds of her own dissolution. It remains forever true, of nations as of individuals, that ignorance and crime breed dissolution and death. "I believe with all my heart," says one of the foremost workers among children, "that the shortest cut to permanent victory in the great and glorious cause of temperance is through the training of very little children in ways of virtue, self-government, and self-control by the proper cultivation of the heart, as well as the head and hand, in the kindergarten. Only such schools as these, molding and shaping character by careful habit and training, will ever build up a vigorous, healthful, virtuous national life. Only such schools as these will make public institutions unnecessary."

Said a wealthy taxpayer, as he paid his monthly subscription to the kindergarten, "This work among the children is the best that can be done. I give this most gladly; I consider it an investment for my children; I would rather give five dollars a month to educate these children than to have my own taxed ten times that amount, by and by, to sustain prisons and penitentiaries."

A marked feature of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is kindergarten-training. It reaches out after the children of poverty and of want. With all of the thought and study brought to bear upon the subject, the homes of the very poor grow more and more unattractive, depressing, and disheartening to the occupants. Is not the prophecy to be fulfilled that "a little child shall lead them?" that the children trained in the kindergarten shall carry back to those darkened abodes some of the light and sweetness which have been put into their lives? For a time this ray of light may only intensify the darkness; but it will awaken in the parents the longing for more, and the longing, once created and recognized, they will surely seek to satisfy.

The value to society of that increasing host of children brought up under kindergarten influence is incalculable. Only those who are familiar with the conditions under which most children of the tenements are obliged to live and develop can appreciate the physical and moral value of the healthful, cheerful environment of the kindergarten. We believe that these schools for the little ones is one of the most promising features of the work.

The care of dependent children is a subject which is occupying the attention of many philanthropical people at the present time. It is one of the most healthful elements of both public and private charity, and one which has experienced the most radical and rapid changes of administration during the last few years.

The question, whether the best interest of the child is served by keeping it in an institution for a length of time, or whether the institution should be only a temporary home until a real home is found for it, is being carefully considered; but the sentiment is growing that what every normal

child, defrauded of its natural home, is entitled to, is a foster-home in which it can take root and grow as though born to high privilege of home culture.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society with its three institutions—the Mothers' Jewels Home, in Nebraska, the Watts de Peyster Home on the Hudson for the children of foreigners, and the Cunningham Orphans' Home, in Illinois—is helping to solve this problem.

The children are kept in these Homes and carefully trained and educated until they can be placed in homes of Christian people, where they are reared as children of their own.

We have considered the relation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the home, to industrial training, to the education of little children, to the care of dependent children. We may now ask, What is its relation to civic life? We have found that the home and school are the factors that make the child's character, and that these must be brought into harmonious relations.

Civic life, in all its manifestations, is studied because the women of to-day know that the home can not create the perfect conditions for the child unless the local government is administered in the interest of the home, the center of all civilization.

"There is no denying," says a noted writer, "that the government of cities is the one conspicuous failure of the United States. The deficiencies of the National Government tell but little on the welfare of the people. The faults of the State Government are insignificant, compared with extravagance, corruption, and mismanagement which mark the administration of most of the great cities.

Woman's organization stands for legislation which shall be of a permanently helpful character. It seeks to secure reforms in social life which are needed for the promotion of public health and morals. Clean streets, more schools, more breathing-grounds for the poor, have been the demand most emphasized by women. The sentiment which compels a clean municipal ticket will also insist upon the enforcement of existing statutes for the public good.

Dr. Strong says, "The city is to be saved, and it must be saved, before the Kingdom can fully come;" and he calls upon the Church to awake to its duty. He says: "Next to a great spiritual awakening, her greatest need is a broader, truer conception of her mission. The Church ought always to have been first to recognize and relieve human needs, and to right human wrongs; but, with a narrow conception of her mission, she has sat with folded hands while a thousand organizations have sprung up at her side to do her proper work." He further says, "No benevolent work or reform, inspired by a Christian spirit, should ever have been forced to go outside the Christian Church for organization."

When the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was tendered to the Church, and was accepted as one of its benevolent

agencies, no one realized the magnitude of the work undertaken, and the extent of the opportunities for usefulness presented.

I have told you something of the work in the South, of its model and industrial homes, of its work for the children. Time will not permit me to enlarge upon our work among the Indians; among the Orientals on the Pacific Coast, where Chinese and Japanese girls are rescued from horrible lives and given Christian training; of our work in New Mexico, in Washington, in Alaska, and in Utah, our missions on the frontier, where such magnificent work has been accomplished by the agency of our Supplies Department. The cry for help which came from all these points has reached the ear of the Christian women of our land; and teachers and missionaries, money and supplies, have been sent to carry on this grand work. But it will be disputed by no one that the great work of the Society to-day is in our cities; and with its larger experiences and broader views of obligation it is prepared to help in the solution of the problem presented.

The immigrant homes at the ports of entry, New York, Boston, and Philadelphia; Glenn Home, in Cincinnati; Marcy Home, in Chicago; the Italian Mission in New Orleans; the Chinese and Japanese Missions, on the Pacific Coast,—all testify to the comprehensiveness of the work undertaken by the Society for the regeneration of our great cities, and through them of our whole country.

Last, though by no means least, the great deaconess movement is engaging our attention; and while no department of the great work, hitherto undertaken by our organization, should be neglected, the time is ripe for us to plan largely for the city campaign; and in no way can this be done more effectively than by the work of the deaconess, as has been demonstrated in foreign countries, and to a large extent in our own.

As has been truly said, "The work of the deaconess is not, as some apprehend it, alone spiritual and evangelistic, but enters largely into the domain of the practical. In the light of experience, the duty of deaconesses must be defined so as to cover the various forms and grades of services adapted to meet the needs of any locality in which they may be employed.

Our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which has in charge all this work in foreign lands, employs deaconesses in schools and in the various forms of missionary service required in those countries. In Germany very little evangelistic work is done by them; they labor in the slums of cities, direct kindergartens, kitchen gardens, gather the children into industrial schools, and adapt their services to the needs of the country in which they are placed."

The deaconess has proved her fitness for missionary work by her great success in reaching the neglected and vicious in our large cities.

With all these forces at our command, may we not believe that our



Society is helping to realize the city of which Washington Gladden speaks when he says: "There is need of thinking much of a civic life which is not yet, but that might be, and that ought to be, and that must be if there is a God in heaven; a city, whose officers shall be peace, and whose exactors righteousness; a city, whose homes shall be sacred and secure; whose traffic shall be wholesome and beneficent; whose laborers shall go forth to their cheerful toil unburdened by the heavy hand of legalized monopolies; whose law shall foster no more curses, nor open the gates to whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie; whose streets shall be full of happy children, playing in safety, and learning the great lessons of civic piety; and whose citizens, on any shore, shall find their thoughts turning homeward with a great longing."

This Society stands always for Christian philanthropy. The renewing of the heart by the saving power of the gospel, and the strengthening of the spiritual life, is ever the leading thought of its workers. It believes thoroughly in practical Christianity, and that a religion that has everything for a future world, and nothing for this, has nothing for either. It believes that genuine goodness is something more than self-seeking for eternity; it is a working together with God in this world for the uplifting and advancement of the human race. It is a seeking to lessen the pains and burdens of life among the toilers and the strugglers; it is a reaching-out after the children of poverty and want.

But its workers have learned as those only who have studied in the highest schools of modern philanthropy must learn, and what they learn with deepening conviction, that only in so far and so fast as we make our charity toward individuals educative, do we permanently elevate the standard and the achievement of the human race.

If our Society is to meet the demands of the new century just dawning, it must have an adequate supply of thoroughly-trained women for the service. The systematic study of all departments of work, and the mental discipline required, together with a thorough and definite knowledge of the Bible, the acquirement of the best methods of Christian work,—all demand a training-school thoroughly equipped in all its departments. The need is only partially met by our present facilities, and there is urgent demand for enlargement. We rejoice to know that plans are being perfected whereby we shall, in the no distant future, have a building and equipment which shall be an honor to the Society, and a lasting monument, by far more desirable than the most costly marble, to one who has given the best of her life to the work of this Society, and whose devotion to its interests has never faltered, and whose influence will live as an inspiration to all who are laborers in this grand field, and to those who, in the future, shall carry on the work of its founders. May there be a royal and a loyal enthusiasm awakened for the erection of Rust Hall!

These words came to us the other day from across the water from the lips of the good bishop from whom we quoted at the beginning of this

address. Speaking of our Society as one of the apostles of the great connectional societies of the Church, he said:

"The Woman's Home Missionary Society which, as usual, is the wisest, the best, the most Christ-like of all the family—the daughter selected to remain at home, who orders the servants, nurses the grandparents, disciplines the grandchildren, and maintains the dignities and proprieties of the family—she is the one character without whom no family ever achieves much place in life."

May she ever maintain her place and be a strong force in the Christian work of the world to-day; and may each one of us, her representatives, be so absolved from self, through devotion to Christ, that he may manifest himself through us! May we be thoughtful in opening doors into larger and better futures for others; may we be ruled by a purpose to make Christ glorious in the world's eyes, to enlarge his authority in the world's work, and to increase his worth in the world's thought! May Christ become the soul of our activity, and may we be always prepared to say, "Thy servants are ready to do whatsoever my Lord, the King, shall appoint!"

"Blessed are they who hear the Master plead  
In every cry of human woe or need:  
Lo! in their hearts the Lord is risen indeed.  
Blessed are they whose prayers indeed find wing,  
Whose hands the gift of humble service bring,  
And in his lowly children serve their King."

# REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

## BUREAU FOR GEORGIA.

THIS Bureau comprises all the work of this Society in Georgia; viz., Haven Home in Savannah, and Mary Haven Home in Speedwell, a few miles distant, with their day-schools and general mission work; and Thayer Home, in Atlanta, which is an Industrial School on the campus of Clark University.

In the interest of this work, I have written during the year 176 letters and a large number of postals, and sent out a considerable literature. A large percentage of these letters have been personal appeals for aid for needy students and for financial help. I can not say that I have met with phenomenal success, though there have been a few responses.

At the close of Haven Home school for the summer, we rejoiced that there had been no disaster of any sort, no death, and no serious illness; but on the 31st of August a terrible cyclone struck the city, and for nearly two days and nights there was no abatement of the storm. Very heavy damage was done to our Home. Roofs were torn off, windows blown out, and in some ways the building was more damaged than at any previous time. Much harm was also done to the outbuildings and fences, and to the lot itself, leaving it almost bare of trees and shrubbery. The inmates endured much discomfort and much hard work before things were again in order. The repairs were not quite completed; but inside the house was in order for the opening of school, when there came another furious storm, lasting about twenty hours, and undoing a good deal of the work, beside thoroughly wetting the inside, and necessitating the third cleaning. All this has been exceedingly discouraging. A tidal wave accompanied each storm, causing a large area of country to be submerged, and a consequent loss of eighty per cent of the rice and other growing crops. This means widespread disaster among the colored population, and, in consequence of this, we are facing the hardest year in the history of this mission. Many of our patrons have lost all in the floods, and must now depend upon charity for the education of their children, or take them away from us. I trust the former friends of this work will not forget its misfortune, now that help is so much needed. We had 44 inmates in this Home during the school months, and six girls during the summer. Our day-school numbered 235, with an average of 185. In the night-school for the inmates there was an average of 32. In the sewing classes 249 new garments were made, beside the making over, the mending, and darning. The income of the Home, including board of missionaries and helpers, has been \$804.25. The expenses, outside of salaries, were \$1,965.88. The income from the day-school was \$372.20, not quite covering the expense. We received thirteen packages of supplies, and \$17 in money gifts. Had it not been for the storms, we would have been in excellent condition for the beginning of the coming year.

MARY HAVEN HOME suffered some from the storm, but not severely, though there will be slight repairs as a result. The house was quite thoroughly wet, and the surrounding country largely under water, so that the poverty of that locality will be much increased. There were six girls in this Home during the school months, and a day-school of 56, averaging

43. I would like to emphasize the fact that this school meets a pressing need, and the children who attend it have no other opportunity for education. The people are too poor to pay, and all our income was \$57, beside a donation of \$3.50. Forty-two garments were made by the girls, beside the usual mending and repairing. The girls were too young to do "making over." Twelve packages of supplies were received by our missionary for this work.

Our missionaries in both these Homes do a large amount of general mission work, making many visits, and holding meetings and Sunday-schools. This outside work is heavy, and growing more so; but it is difficult to tabulate it; indeed, impossible.

THAYER INDUSTRIAL HOME, Atlanta, Ga., had twenty-four boarders, beside missionary and helpers. There were 168 in the sewing classes, 18 in art needle-work, 18 in dressmaking, 24 in housekeeping, and 44 in special cooking classes. The income from board of students and missionary was \$786.53, and from dressmaking classes \$51.75, making a total income of \$838.28. The expenses, beside salaries, were \$1,638.95. There was one donation of \$50. It was planned to enlarge this Home during the summer vacation; but when plans for the work were completed, it was found that the appropriation of \$500, made last year, was altogether too small to put on the addition necessary, and it seemed unwise to begin the work unless the enlargement should be a credit to the Society, meet fully the wants for which it was planned, and be completed without any debt.

There is no discounting the quality of the work done in Thayer Home, nor its far-reaching influence, and an opportunity to take more girls and increase the number of those who wish instruction in Domestic Science, will greatly enlarge the sphere of usefulness at this point. Over thirty girls from this Home have married graduates of Gammon Theological School; others have become wives of lawyers, doctors, and leading men; and many are teaching advanced grades in different places. Most of them are excellent women, leading useful, helpful lives, and doing their share toward the elevation of their race.

Respectfully submitted.

ELIZABETH PALEN, *Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR FLORIDA.

In again reporting the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Florida to you who are interested in it, and to you whom we hope to interest, we bring only words of cheer and encouragement. The work is far-reaching, and runs in many lines.

Its needs are great, and the many opportunities for doing good are so apparent, that it is almost impossible for our missionaries to refrain from undertaking much more than they are able to do. It is hard for any one that is not on the ground to realize what is being done, or the amount of labor required to do it, or what could be accomplished with better equipments. In order to maintain this work properly, and to meet the constantly increasing demands upon it, we must enlarge our buildings, and increase the number of our missionaries. One of our missionaries writes: "We could easily double our work and our influence here in Florida, if the women of our Church would say so. It is something for them to think over, and to pray over."

### Boylan Industrial Home and School, at Jacksonville, Florida.

When we look back to the opening of this Home, twelve years ago, we can not but exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" Indeed, his especial blessing has seemed to attend on all the efforts put forth in behalf of this

Home. We have been especially fortunate in being able to retain during all of these years our first superintendent. Her remarkable devotion to the work and her great diversity of talent have made her a power for good, not only in the Home and city, but her influence extends throughout the State. Could she be relieved in part from home cares, and have time to organize new Auxiliaries and help to strengthen old ones, we would find that the gain to our Society would be very great.

During the past year 41 girls have received the Home training. These are included in the 245 members of the day-school. We have had 41 pupils in the night-school, who are not included in the above number, but are men and women who toil all day, and who gladly improve the opportunities now offered, but which were denied them in their younger days. In addition to the above-named, we have had 50 girls and 28 boys who were regular attendants at the Sewing Band meetings, where much beside sewing is taught. Most of the girls and boys come from long distances, many of them walking four miles each way.

Our girls made during the year 278 garments, of which 12 were dresses; also 4 quilts, 25 pieces of fancy work, 1,500 samples, 160 sewing cards, and repaired and mended 775 garments. More attention than ever was given to the cooking-lessons and to kitchengarden work, though these have always been made a very important feature of the work. Our music scholars have done excellent work, and the receipts from lessons have paid for the new piano, which is certainly very gratifying.

Four girls (the Willard Class) graduated in the school course, which includes all that is taught in grammar-school grades, besides the industrial training. We now have twenty-eight graduates, who are doing good work among their people, and are an honor to the Home and to our Society. Ten bright girls belong to the Class of 1899 (the Whetstone Class), and give promise of graduating with high honors. Thus is the little leaven working, and the influence of the Home is being extended.

### Emerson Memorial Home and School.

This Home is situated in Ocala, in the midst of what is commonly termed the "Black Belt of Florida." Perhaps we have no field where this work is more needed. In Marion County, of which Ocala is the county-seat, there are thirteen thousand colored people. We began our work in a little old deserted church-building, with only curtains to divide the school-room from the narrow strip that contained the girls' beds and all their belongings. In the rear was a room which served for kitchen, dining-room, and sitting-room. How much of privation our faithful missionary endured! The blessing of the Lord rested on the work from the beginning, even until now. Nine years ago we were able to move into our new building, one of the plainest and least expensive of any of our Homes. The house is comfortable, and the grounds ample for the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers. Our mistake was not building larger and not finishing the third story. We felt the need of bringing the cost to the minimum, which we certainly did. Many wonder how it could have been built for the small sum of \$2,700. The work has grown so that the house is now too small, and we are asking for money to complete the third story. We are praying that some one will feel moved to give us \$500 for this purpose.

There were in the Home during the past year 18 girls; in the day-school, 45; making a total of 63 girls, besides others who come in for instruction in other lines of work. There were 142 garments made, and 272 samples and 616 garments mended. The usual cooking and kindergarten and music lessons were given.

A beautiful, spiritual influence has pervaded both these Homes, and rarely has a girl gone out from them without having become a Christian. This speaks volumes for the Home influence and Home training. We must not omit to speak of the good that has been done through the large amount of home visiting which has been kept up; it is hand-to-hand and heart-to-heart work that tells here as elsewhere. Our missionaries and our girls are a great power in the Churches, the Sabbath-schools, and the missionary and temperance meetings, doing much to sustain them. Time and space will not permit me to do justice to the work of our devoted missionaries in either of these Homes. It has been truly said that "Figures may be significant and suggestive, and yet fall far short of furnishing the desired information; facts may be startling and pathetic, without revealing the true situation."

The people for whom this work is being done understand it, and appreciate it better than we at a distance possibly can. Would that I had time to give you extracts from the large number of letters I have received from ministers and residents of Florida, expressing their appreciation of the work of our missionaries. An aged and highly esteemed minister writes: "I have lived in Florida thirty-one years, have traveled as a presiding elder all over it, have known its needs, and can truly say that a wonderful change has taken place in the condition of my people, which is entirely due to the faithful, earnest work of these dear Christian teachers. No one but the Lord and the poor people of Florida can tell all that these teachers are doing for young and old in this land." I might add pages of the same gratifying testimony. This will be enough to encourage all of your hearts and to stimulate us to do more for these people.

I had greatly hoped that we would now be able to give Florida one more Home, by opening work in Key West. As we all know, the need of missionary work there is greater than ever. Our faithful Mrs. Daly has labored and sacrificed in a heroic manner for the sake of this work. She greatly appreciated the small appropriation made for her last year, and now implores that we give her larger aid this year. Without our aid she can not continue in this great work, which has accomplished so much good. She, like our other missionaries, carries heavy burdens. One of them writes: "But for a sustaining trust in the 'Great Burden Bearer,' to whose honor and glory the work was dedicated, health and strength would have utterly failed."

Another new year has opened. Our missionaries enter upon it gladly and hopefully. They are assured of larger numbers than ever before, and greater opportunities for usefulness. The work will be limited only by the facilities afforded. Let us remember our responsibilities, and rejoice that we are permitted to labor together with the Lord of the Harvest, who has so wonderfully blessed the seed that has been sown by our faithful and earnest missionaries.

SARAH M. Y. WHETSTONE, *Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR EAST CENTRAL STATES.

THE Industrial Home at Orangeburg, S. C., and the Industrial Homes and Schools at Asheville, N. C., and Camden, S. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

### Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.

The work in our Home at this point keeps pace with Claflin University, in an advancement in the number in attendance, and in the grade

and character of the work done. Last year nineteen girls were resident in the Home, and this year opens with twenty-six. In addition to the training given to the Home girls in the domestic arts, all the girls in attendance at the university share in the class training given by our teachers. The most complete harmony exists between the Faculty of the university and our representatives—they facilitate our work in every possible way, and we supplement theirs, so that it is difficult to determine where their work begins or ours ends. The yearly revivals at the university result in the formation of large classes of young converts, and our missionary, Miss Penfield, has shown so great fitness for the care of these that the work has been assigned her, and in this way the influence of our teachers extends far beyond the limits of our special work. During the past year the capacity of the building has been increased by the finishing of three large rooms in the attic, and the whole building has been renovated and put in the best possible condition.

The new Industrial teacher, Miss Vesta Ferrabee, has excellent qualifications for her work, and is giving complete satisfaction.

The erection of an additional building, containing rooms specially adapted for industrial classes, is under consideration by some generous friends of the Society, and it is hoped this may be done during the present year.

#### **Allen Industrial Home, Asheville, N. C.**

With the payment of the pledges made during the past two years, the debt upon this excellent and commodious building will be canceled, and through the years to come it will stand in this city, to which a hundred thousand visitors go yearly, as a representative Industrial Home. During the last year twenty-four girls were resident in the Home, and about one hundred and fifty were enrolled in the day-school. We had a most excellent class of girls in the Home, modest, refined, Christian girls. A number sufficient to fill the Home have made application for admittance this year. Many more would apply had they the means of support. At Asheville we do not encourage the idea of full beneficiary support, as there is perhaps a little better opportunity here for girls to earn something for their own support, and we purpose, with a very few exceptions, only to supplement their earnings by the addition of sums ranging from \$10 to \$25. With a little help on this line, Allen Home will be fully equipped for its life and light giving mission.

#### **Browning Home, Camden, S. C.**

During the past year extensive improvements have been made in the Home, giving twelve additional rooms, so that the building has now ample accommodation for fifty girls. The school-building has been repaired, and all buildings and fences painted. The cost of these improvements amounted to \$2,532.74, and this has been provided without any drain upon the General Treasury. Five hundred dollars came from the bequest of Mrs. Wilkes, \$600 from a loan of Mrs. James Mather, and the remainder, \$1,432.74, from the income of the Home and school during the past three years.

The loan of Mrs. Mather does not stand as a debt upon the Society. The interest is paid by the school, and the principal will be paid from the tuition fees. From thirty to forty girls have resided in the Home. The day-school has had an attendance of one hundred and eighty-eight, and the night-school about forty. Young men were in attendance at the night-school, who, after a hard day's work, walked eight miles each evening for the privilege of two hours' instruction.

No school or mission was ever placed under the care of more faithful, painstaking, conscientious women than our missionaries at Camden. They neglect no interest of those intrusted to their care, either along physical, intellectual, or spiritual lines. All their work tends to well-developed, symmetrical character. In addition to the recognized work of the Society at this point, excellent work is being done in the plantation, industrial, and Sabbath-schools along the Wateree River, where there are hundreds of children and youth for whose education and training no other provision has been made.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR WEST CENTRAL STATES.

### Ritter Home.

Reported by Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Chairman.

ITTER HOME has had a year of unprecedented prosperity and hard work. The cots sent last year came none too soon, as the number of girls in the Home in the winter term reached seventy-two. This number, with the instructors and the student who looks after the outdoor work for his board, made a family of seventy-five. All available sleeping space was filled, and the dining-room overfilled. Should the numbers continue so large, we may sometime ask for an enlargement of the house. Dr. Race, the new President of Grant University, wishes all the girls of the school to be put under our management in Ritter Home, as soon as such an arrangement can be made.

Mrs. Chapman, the Superintendent, procured from the American Bible Society in New York this summer one hundred Bibles, and a friend has sent them fifty of our Hymnals, with the name of the Home on the cover. The students are delighted with these helps in Sabbath-school and Church services.

The Superintendent has for some time advocated a uniform dress for the girls in the Home, as being neater, more economical, and saving a great deal of anxiety on the part of many girls lest they should not make so good an appearance as others. She found a tendency on the part of girls who had but little means to spend what they had in dress. The material was often cheap, the fitting and making bad, and so money was wasted. This summer permission was given the Superintendent to buy the material and try the experiment. She accordingly bought a quantity of dark-blue serge, and one Sabbath the girls and teachers appeared for the first time in their new uniform, blue serge skirts, white waists, jackets, and mortar-board caps. They will wear a variety of waists when the weather is cool. This is their Sunday and street suit. The experiment seems to be a success. They looked well, and as all the sewing was done by the girls themselves, the suits for the largest girls cost less than four dollars.

The property has been put in perfect repair, and all the buildings and fences painted, and a very large cistern built, all at a little less expense than was allowed last year, and without using any money from the General Fund. Two of our girls are in the Senior class of the Grant University, and will graduate from college this year. Both have been our beneficiaries, and give promise of more than ordinary usefulness. As this is the first time we have had graduates in the Home, it is quite an event, and already Mrs. Chapman is planning how best to give them a



good time. She is anxious that their graduation be recognized by the friends of the school in their furnishing the graduation dresses and such other little things as girls require to make the occasion memorable.

It seems to me that it would be a very pleasant custom for us to show our interest in our wards in all our schools that are connected with the colleges of the Freedmen's Aid Society, by a suitable recognition of such as have the ability and perseverance to complete a college course. It would encourage our pupils to greater self-sacrifice and endeavor to avail themselves of all the opportunities the Church provides. Graduation-day is a great day in the life of a girl, next the bridal-day; and by our recognition we could make it still more delightful.

Mrs. Chapman has given her entire summer to the work of the Society, speaking in Ohio, New York, and New England. She has sent to the treasury \$195.03, besides taking many pledges, organizing Auxiliaries, and creating interest in the work. A considerable portion of her work was at camp-meetings and at summer resorts; so it is to be hoped the interest created will be diffused.

She has an excellent helper in Miss Elizabeth Wilson, a young lady of Athens. Miss Wilson was most carefully reared by a widowed father. The two constituted the family, and she was his heart companion. The year before last she spent the days at the Home, and then went to her own home nights, Saturdays, and Sabbaths, unless she was specially needed. Early last year her father died; but before his death he sent for Mrs. Chapman, and gave his daughter most solemnly into her care. Mrs. Chapman received the charge from the dying man as solemnly as it was given, emptied a cloak-room adjoining the sewing-room, and had her bring furniture for her room to the Home, and become one of the family. Miss Wilson now knows no other home, and is exceedingly happy in her new relation. She feels an interest in all that pertains to the house, and gladly remained in the Home this summer and took care of it, thus saving us thirty dollars, which we have heretofore paid a poor student. Miss Wilson is an excellent teacher and is popular with the girls, so we have great confidence in our sewing department.

I am glad to report a growing desire on the part of the Southern girls to help themselves. The spirit of the school is excellent. The new President of Grant University, Dr. Race, of Syracuse, N. Y., promises most hearty co-operation in our work, and we hope, standing shoulder to shoulder with the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Board of Trustees of Grant University, to be no mean factor in making Athens a center of hope and culture, not only to East Tennessee, but to all the contiguous Mountain States.

#### Kent Industrial Home, Greensboro, N. C.

This year in Kent Home has been a happy, useful one. Soon after the opening of the school year our workers were unexpectedly changed, and the responsibility fell upon Miss Thornborough to superintend the work. A little later the services of Mrs. Snow, a former superintendent, were secured as assistant. While our Home was full, and the girls were ambitious, there was a great lack of money because of their poverty. We are glad to report that no girl left the Home, and for each needy case some friend was found to tide over the weeks. What would we do without the women, who not only read the appeals of anxious Secretaries, but who take them to heart, and make it possible for us to continue the work? I desire to express the gratitude of dear, faithful girls, and my own, for the peculiar blessings of the past year. So often our girls are heard to say, "How kind the Northern people are to care for us poor

colored girls! It seems so strange they should be interested in our education." I wonder how many of those who hear or read this report have ever sent a Christmas package to those who have no Christmas. Last December, "the January sisters"—five girls in New York—wrote to Miss Thornborough for the names of each girl under her care. A little later a box containing a complete work-basket, with handkerchiefs, etc., was sent for Christmas. The joy, the surprise, the good that was done can not be told. We trust that next Christmas will find this experience repeated in every Home belonging to our Society. We have made some new friends this past year. They have sent us clothing, sewing materials, varnish for our floors, and have helped our workers to greater success. This coming year opens favorably, but already our needs are confronting us. We suffer from wear and time, as any house must. We hope to be able to make necessary repairs, and do even better work from last year's experience.

#### **New Jersey Industrial Home, Morristown, Tenn.**

In many respects the past year has been one of marked prosperity, beyond any previous year in the history of the New Jersey Home. Our hearts have been gladdened as we have recognized the hand of a loving Father in supplying all our needs. Faithful stewards, who call themselves Auxiliaries to our Woman's Home Missionary Society, have sent us aid, and oftentimes from most unexpected sources. May God bless every one who has kept us in mind, and added to our comfort! The New Jersey Conference kindly sent us \$125 to meet the expense of painting our Home, which now presents a very neat appearance. Our Sewing Department has numbered 130, accomplished good work, and was very helpful to many who showed marked progress.

Eighteen girls composed our family, coming from Virginia, Georgia, and Tennessee. Their ages ranged from fourteen to twenty, all very bright, and studious. One gained the medal for promptness, another for oratory.

We had two girls in the graduating class. One of these has gone to college, through her own effort and the aid of a kind friend. She said, when leaving, "I am nearer God in this Home, than any other place." A graduate of 1897 has proven a very efficient assistant, and will share the responsibilities another year. The devotion of the girls to Miss Mosher is a tribute of no small value. Application has been made for twenty girls this year, and several have been turned away for lack of room. It has been our aim to give to the girls the very best training, under the best conditions possible. We look for an abundant harvest.

MARY FISK PARK, *Secretary.*

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#### **BUREAU FOR MISSISSIPPI.**

##### **E. L. Rust Industrial Home, Holly Springs, Miss.**

THE Home was not formally opened until October 6, 1897, the prevalence of the yellow fever and consequent quarantine prevented, and no one could enter or leave the town for some weeks.

Miss Ora S. Silvey, the newly-appointed Superintendent, was detained at Memphis four days; but finally, by going to a point beyond Holly Springs and riding across the country, reached her destination, and the Assistant, Mrs. J. D. Spear, arrived ten days later.

During the first two months there were only seven girls in the Home, but the number increased each succeeding month, and the last two there were twenty.

The monthly reports of the Superintendent indicate that good work was done. Miss Mary Hampton graduated from the Normal Department. At the close of the year, from a consideration of the best interests of the Home, it was deemed advisable that there be a change of administration, and Superintendent and Assistant were so advised.

Again, at the time for the opening of the work in 1898, we are confronted with a recurrence of the yellow fever and quarantine regulations, although the newly-appointed Superintendent, Miss Phinnette K. Bristol, and her Assistant, Miss Grace S. Dempster, arrived at Holly Springs, and were installed in the Home prior to the quarantine, and are anxiously waiting the arrival of the girls, who are, up to this date (October 19th), unable to reach Holly Springs.

It is hardly possible to estimate the dire effect of the yellow fever scourge on our Industrial Homes in the infected country. It would seem advisable that hereafter the Home be not opened until November 1st, for there may be each year a recurrence of the fever.

On account of delay, I can not report progress in the work, other than the Home and grounds have been put in good condition, and there will be no delay on the arrival of the girls in immediately entering on the work. We have every reason to expect a prosperous and profitable year. Heretofore a special teacher for the Nurse-training Department was employed; now we have in Miss Bristol a Superintendent and Nurse-training teacher combined, while Miss Dempster will have charge of the sewing and music.

#### **Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.**

I am able to report a most successful year. Miss Abby S. Putnam has proven herself a most efficient and successful Superintendent, and her management and conduct of the Home have been excellent.

Owing to the quarantine, the work could not begin until November 1, 1897. The Home opened with twenty-three girls, and closed with twenty-eight. Mrs. Richards, who had charge of the Sewing Department and music, was retired February, 1898, on account of family cares, but reported before leaving that up to that time 98 garments had been completed by the sewing class. Miss Putnam assumed the extra work of the sewing for the remaining months of the year, and so expense was saved.

At Clarkson, before Bennett Home came into existence, there was located "Woodland Academy," under the control of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and because of this academy it was considered a good point to establish an Industrial Home by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A modest little house was erected for that purpose. It will only accommodate about thirty people within its walls, and the Home was named in honor of Mrs. Zeba Bennett, who from the first has been greatly interested in and helpful in its maintenance.

During the last year a transfer of Woodland Academy and some two hundred acres of land has been made by the Freedmen's Aid Society to the Woman's Home Missionary Society by lease for ninety-nine years, at a nominal rental of one dollar per year.

By the transfer of the academy to the Woman's Home Missionary Society is added a very important school for white girls and boys, the only educational institution in that section of the country under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In accepting the property

and school, a new and greater responsibility is assumed, and a step forward is made, and, in our opinion, an advanced step in the right direction, as it increases the facilities for better education of the girls in our Industrial Home. We have power and authority to make the school what it should be, *first-class and high grade*. In August last Professor W. A. Davis and his wife, of Pearl, Michigan, were employed to go to Clarkson, and take charge of Woodland Academy. The property needed to be cared for, and some repairs to be made before the opening of the school, which was to take place September 5, 1898. The work done by Professor and Mrs. Davis shows that we were fortunate in securing their services. They are certainly the right persons in the right place. The school opened with eighty-eight students. More can not be cared for comfortably with present accommodations. We will be compelled in the near future to have a larger boarding-house and dormitory.

The number of girls now in Bennett Home far exceeds the capacity to house with comfort, and if a new Home can be built, without doubt fifty more girls would enter. Miss Putnam has been compelled to refuse many applicants, who are anxious to be received, for want of room. The question is, What are we to do?

Can the Society afford to hesitate to make the effort to secure the means to erect such buildings as are needed for the advancement of the work and meet the demands at Clarkson, Mississippi? The location is delightful, on elevated ground, dry, sandy soil, and perfumed with the fragrance of pine-trees, and building shaded by oak-trees, monarchs of the forest.

You will remember that there are but two Industrial Homes for white girls in the South, under the management and control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, while there are many for the colored girls. One class needs the opportunity for gaining education as much as the other. May no mistake be made in securing the opportunity! May it not be said of us, "This ye ought to have done, and not to have left the other undone!"

Mrs. HENRY C. HEDGES, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

### Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock.

SOON after the opening of the Adeline Smith Home last fall, a yellow fever epidemic threatened the town, and retarded the coming of the girls. In February small-pox broke out. There was a case of it in the college; the yellow flag was raised. And they were obliged to close the college for two weeks. The girls in the Home were all vaccinated; some were quite sick, and all were very much frightened. Mrs. Nasmyth was obliged to keep them some time after the close of the school year, as their parents would not permit them to come home. This increased expenses considerably. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the past year has been the most successful one which the Home has ever known. At the opening there were eighteen girls ready to enter, and the superintendent was obliged to buy new mattresses and bedroom furniture, and in several instances crowd three girls into one bed to accommodate them. The girls came from Texas, Louisiana, Indian Territory, and Arkansas. When time and strength permitted, Mrs. Nasmyth has addressed public meetings in the town and in different parts of the State, and thus aroused much enthusiasm and interest. She visited the Little Rock Conference, and delivered an address. The ministers of the Conference have stood loyally by us. Receptions and socials have been given at the Home for the

teachers and students in the college. Mrs. Nasmyth delivered an address to the students during Commencement-week. Among other distinguished visitors at the Home this year was the governor of the State, who called by invitation of the superintendent, was conducted through the Home, and expressed himself as well pleased with all that he saw and heard.

The summary of the year's work is as follows: Number of girls enrolled during the year, 41; number aided by scholarship money during the year, 7; number of lessons given in plain sewing, 1,302; in dressmaking, 505; in fancy work, 245; in cooking, 521; barrels of supplies received, 12; articles of clothing given to the poor, 406; visits to sick and needy, 30; baskets of food given away, 17; number of meals given to poor and needy, 93; number of Bible-lessons given, 160; Sunday-school services attended, 34; Young People's Meetings, 59; temperance meetings, 3; Bibles given away, 10; leaflets and tracts distributed, 42. Four young women have been converted in the Home during the year. The barrels of supplies received have been a wonderful help, especially those containing new pieces of cloth, which could be utilized in the sewing department. We were allowed four scholarships last year, and we ask for five the coming year. We very much need blankets, bed-spreads, sheets, pillow-cases, and towels. Remember this when sending supplies.

The prospects for the coming year are even brighter, and promise greater results than those already achieved. Mrs. Nasmyth writes: "The problem no longer is how to *reach* the people, but how to provide for the numbers who are seeking admittance to the Home."

### The Italian Mission.

It was impossible, owing to the prevalence of yellow fever, to open the Italian Mission until the latter part of December. Miss Gibson and Miss Robertson did good work for the Society, however, during their enforced stay in the North. They addressed societies and organized Auxiliaries. On reaching New Orleans they found the city in a very unsanitary condition, the heat intense, and rents exorbitant. After days of weary search, they secured a small house, removed the furniture of Peck Home, which had been stored at the university since the fire, had such articles as they needed repaired, and thus fitted up their house, and opened the mission. The people welcomed them gladly. The missionaries wrote that they were more softened, more approachable than ever before. Sewing and night schools were organized, and the children came in increasing numbers until the rooms of the Home were filled. The night-school opened with eight in classes. The number soon increased to forty. The number of nights in which the school was open was 114; number of Bible-lessons given, 50; sewing classes taught, 44; public meetings addressed, 32; visits to sick and needy, 152; Sunday-school services held, 46; packages of clothing received, 6; articles of clothing given out, 90; cards, leaflets, and tracts distributed, 705; Bibles given away, 12; Easter eggs, 80. Many Bible-lessons have been given indirectly while teaching classes. Our missionaries allow no opportunity for sowing "the seed of the kingdom" in the hearts of the children to pass unimproved. In February Miss Gibson was taken ill, and was sent North by the physician. Miss Robertson, assisted by Miss Page, successfully carried on the work till the close of the year. The supplies which have been sent have proved a wonderful help. But the needs of the mission are not all provided for as yet. They have a very scant supply of table-linen. Knives, forks, and spoons are badly needed, also a stove. Much has been accomplished this year under many difficulties and discouragements. Alone and unprotected, save by the "all-seeing eye of God," our mission-

aries have lived in one of the worst sections of New Orleans. Much has been already accomplished, and great are the future possibilities of this mission under God.

### Peck Home, New Orleans.

Nothing has been done towards rebuilding Peck Home or reopening our work there this year.

MRS. F. A. ARTER, *Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR TEXAS.

### King Home, Marshall.

BEAUTIFUL for situation, and the joy of all the colored people for a hundred miles around, is King Home, located at Marshall, Texas.

The past year has been the most successful one in the history of the school. The good seed sown in tears by the former Secretaries and teachers is now yielding an abundant harvest, and we are reaping the fruit of their labors.

The statistics for the year are as follows:

Number of pupils boarding in the Home.....	38
Average .....	28
Number of day pupils.....	127
Average .....	97
Number of boarding and day pupils.....	165
Average .....	125
Classes in cooking, per diem.....	3
Plain sewing, per diem.....	6
Dressmaking, per diem.....	2
Embroidery, per week.....	8
Garments made.....	651
Repaired .....	80
Articles given out.....	180
Visits to sick and needy.....	37
Temperance meetings.....	28
Bible-lessons .....	82
Sunday-school services.....	57
Young People's Meetings.....	47

This does not fully represent the work done, for statistics are only skeletons, which must be clothed with arteries, nerves, and flesh, to make them living entities; nor do they tell of the toil and sacrifice, nor the unswerving devotion of our teachers.

By permission of the Board, I had the pleasure of visiting the school last February, and seeing the situation through my own glasses. The discipline of the school is markedly efficient. The firmness, blended with a Christlike spirit of gentleness and love, was something beautiful to see. Order, neatness, thoroughness, and economy characterizes all the work. It was a genuine surprise to me to see the politeness, grace, and gentleness of manner of the girls. The deportment was simply above criticism. The studious attention which they gave to their studies in the university was a delight to me, as well as the proficiency attained in the domestic arts, such as cooking, laundry work, general housekeeping, sewing, dressmaking, and embroidery. Many had never learned even the use of the needle or thimble before entering the Home. A class of fourteen was graduated in scientific dressmaking, according to the Magic Scale System, this year.

The exercises were unique. The teachers as well as the girls were clad in an inexpensive white material, and each of the girls had a number on the program, which consisted of solos, duets, recitations, essays, and the conferring of diplomas. The exercises were held in the chapel of Wiley University. I presume the moral effect of this display will be beneficial, and tend to give the girls a deeper sense of the dignity of manual labor and capable womanhood. Another special feature was the attention given to the development of Christian character, having for its foundation the knowledge and authority of Scripture truth. One Sabbath morning at devotions we were studying the Sunday-school lesson, and so apt were they in replies, I thought I would ask them some other questions. I gave them fifty questions upon the life of Christ, and they answered all but six correctly, a test which I know would tax to the utmost many a white school in the North to equal. Every girl in the Home, save one, was a Christian. Several were led to Christ during the year. I asked one of the girls how many were Christians. She replied that there "was only one *sinnah* among them."

There is an increasing desire for an education and to be helpful, which shows the awakening of their minds. The hundreds of windowless and doorless cabins I passed *en route* spoke plainly of the widespread poverty, ignorance, and consequent degradation. I thought I was intelligent concerning the situation, but one can scarcely comprehend their poverty and great need, unless one comes in actual contact with the people and surroundings. They are making great progress, but there are great hindrances. The lack of comprehension on the part of the parents of the need of thorough preparation for life's work, and their inability on account of their poverty to give their daughters two or three consecutive years of instruction in the Home, are great barriers to success.

We can not expect great results from a training of eight months, and yet great results have been realized.

The relations between Wiley University and the Home are most cordial and helpful. Upon invitation of President Dogan, I made several chapel talks and lectured to the students. I also accepted an invitation to address the students of Bishop College on Washington's birthday. This is one of the largest colored schools under the auspices of the Baptists. They have about four hundred students, the same as Wiley. They sang many of the old plantation songs for me, as did also the girls in the Home and also the Wiley University Quartet.

The premises were in excellent condition, and will need only a few minor repairs this year, which will be made from the receipts of the Home. I think I solved the heating problem in a very economical and safe way, by putting in small stoves and radiators, carrying the pipes through rooms where there were no flues. The entire cost, was \$108. When I went down I found the Home so crowded, and consequently unsanitary, that I at once saw a contractor, and got estimates for finishing three rooms in the third story. I found that, with my unconditional appropriation for heating, that I could arrange for both heating and finishing the rooms. I ordered it done, and it was all completed by the latter part of May, and I now hold in my possession the duplicate receipts for the entire expense. Since the stoves and radiators have been put in place, only two of the second story rooms will hold two beds comfortably, so there is very little additional room for an increase of students. There ought to be three more rooms and the hall finished this year. I presume the cost of finishing all in a workmanlike manner would not exceed three hundred dollars. Then the building would be completed, and at least forty-five accommodated in the Home.

I found no flag at the Home. But immediately upon my return, I

asked the Queen Esther Circle of Washington, Iowa, to donate one, which they did. I presume it will very soon float over King Home, proclaiming impressively, though silently, Liberty, Justice, and Fraternity.

MRS. LAVANDA G. MURPHY, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR UTAH.

STEADILY for eighteen years has the pulse and heart of our great organization beat for those in the vast inter-mountain Territory of Utah whose lives are darkened by the pall of Mormonism.

The month in the early spring that I spent in visiting the work is with me as a pleasant memory. Our half-dozen Auxiliaries are active and loyal. I studied the work in full operation at the different points, and am not surprised at the hopeful indications for the opening of the new year.

### Salt Lake City.

The activities of our four deaconesses in "Davis Deaconess Home," Salt Lake City, are often taxed to the utmost. Mrs. M. E. Spence serves the First Church as far as possible, in connection with her duties as superintendent of the Home. Many a stranded young girl, many a bereft mother and child, has found this Home a veritable haven of rest and safety. The Home is remembered in many kindly ways by friends in the city. The basement presents the appearance of an Oriental reception-room, as ten or twelve young Chinamen assemble there nightly in the capacity of a school. And while the work is not directly under our auspices, our deaconesses, as teachers, add their influence and help to educate and Christianize them.

A flag, "with its shining stars of morning light," the gift of the California Conference, Woman's Home Missionary Society, floats in the heart of this city from the flagstaff upon our Deaconess Home. May we live to see it wave triumphantly over this beautiful metropolis freed from the thralldom of a subtle and dangerous foe!

Miss Potter and Miss Kullenberg are serving English mission Churches, while Mrs. Hansen is devoting herself to the Scandinavian people, holding each Saturday an Industrial School for girls aside from her duties as visiting deaconess.

### Provo.

Mrs. Helen M. Kingsbury is still on duty at Provo, one of the important educational strongholds of the Mormon Church. Here the Methodist minister created such a sentiment against the Mormon teachers in the public schools holding their "religion classes" in the school buildings after school hours, that they were compelled to impart this line of instruction elsewhere, although the school buildings in the smaller towns are used for this purpose, the Gentile children being permitted to go home, if they wish, at the close of school.

Mrs. Kingsbury is active in every department of Church work, and conducts regularly once a week an Industrial School for girls, with an average attendance of twenty-two. She meets regularly the Junior League, thus being able to influence the boys as well as girls. Some of the parents are beginning to recognize the worth of these efforts, by allowing their children to attend our Sabbath-school.



**Mt. Pleasant.**

Because of the altitude at Mt. Pleasant, Miss Potter, who was our deaconess here for a year, was compelled in August to enter upon work in Salt Lake City, much to the regret of the pastor of the Church and the people with whom she was associated.

**Ephraim.**

Miss Agnes Bulow, a new worker under our auspices, appointed missionary to Ephraim about five months ago, is finding her way into hearts and homes hitherto closed to Christian influence. She is active along usual lines of Church and benevolent work, beside conducting an Industrial School twice a week, with good attendance and gratifying results.

**Richfield.**

Our missionary, Miss Oberg, did efficient service for a year in Richfield, an important county-seat. She resigned the 1st of September, to become the wife of the pastor of the First Scandinavian Church in Salt Lake City.

It is to be regretted that we are not able to fill the vacancy immediately, for the interims without a missionary are detrimental to the best interests of the work.

**Logan.**

We have been able to secure for this point the services of Miss Dora Jayne, the daughter of Rev. G. E. Jayne, one of the pioneer Methodist preachers of Utah. So she is to the manor born. With a good literary and musical education and thoroughly consecrated to Christian work, we look for marked advance of the Church along all lines in this educational center of the dominant Church.

**Spring City.**

For six years we have maintained a school in Spring City, and in an unmistakable degree its influence is being felt in the community. It is seen in the increased attendance upon our Sabbath-school and the public service during each Sabbath afternoon held during the past five months by the pastor at Ephraim. Our teacher, Miss S. C. Simonson, during her two years of service, has conducted a Sabbath-school, often with fifty pupils. During the summer school vacation she conducted an Industrial School and the Sabbath-school, also visiting among the people. During her short vacation the pastor from Ephraim cared for the Sabbath-school. If we would keep in these towns, where ours is the only Christian influence, our hold upon the people after it is gained, these efforts must know no vacation. This is our principle and purpose.

Early in September Miss Simonson opened her school with sixteen pupils; soon twenty-three were enrolled from Mormon and apostate families. She also continues an industrial class an hour twice a week, immediately after school. She writes, "The larger girls seem to be attracted and held by it."

**Elsinore.**

Mrs. M. H. Passmore, our teacher at Elsinore, opened the 12th of September her third year of school. She writes: "The outlook for the coming year is surprisingly encouraging. It surpasses anything I dared hope. I opened school a week ago, and enrolled twenty-two the first

week, with a prospect of six or eight to-morrow. For the time of year this is remarkable. The children seemed eager for school to begin, something I have never seen before." Mrs. Passmore was away from Elsinore but two days during the entire summer.

This school opened the first year with six pupils, the second with ten, the third year with fourteen, and the fourth year with twenty-two. Surely this is encouraging, when we remember that it was here that the people determined to "freeze out the Methodists," and succeeded for two or three years. And with these Methodists went all Christian influence in the midst of the hundreds of children in this beautiful valley community. Older and more advanced pupils are seeking admission to the school. The teacher is puzzled what to do. She hesitates to refuse admittance to these more mature pupils. She pleads for an assistant. The school is so ungraded that it is impossible for her to care for all classes if she admits this higher grade. A competent young woman offers to take two studies and assist in the school the rest of the time. She was a pupil in the school last year. She will perform this service for a small remuneration, for she must by her own efforts educate herself. It would be a far-reaching benevolence to employ this young woman in our school in Elsinore. Ten dollars a month for eight months will do this. Who will respond? Service is held in our mission occasionally by the circuit pastor, with good attendance.

#### Maroni.

In July Mrs. H. H. Merrick was appointed missionary kindergartner at Maroni. This is a new departure in our work, but I believe it a very wise one. Mrs. Merrick established herself in our Home, visited the mothers in the community, and explained the proposed work. She now has twenty little ones in her kindergarten, and has been compelled to refuse ten others admittance until vacancies occur. No minister has held Church service in Maroni during the past year. Mrs. Merrick has organized a fine Sabbath-school and held regular Sabbath evening services, attracting many who would never in any other way hear the gospel.

I am glad to report that at every point where we have property in Utah our work is being successfully prosecuted, with the exception of Mt. Pleasant, and here in our Church regular service is held, and we hope soon to add the work of a missionary.

Many of our workers spent their vacation in assisting at the "gospel tent meeting," under the supervision of the superintendent of the mission.

During my visit in Utah, I was glad to represent the work in three Churches in Salt Lake City, and in Provo twice; also before the Ministerial Association of the mission at Payson.

The Society in relation to its work in Utah was fully discussed. I met with our Advisory Board, and found them desirous to assist in promoting the best interests of our work.

Since my connection with the Bureau I have felt the lack of up-to-date literature for our own work and the work of the Church, a serious embarrassment and hindrance to our efforts.

The Christian ministers and missionaries of Utah are aroused to the necessity for leaflets to scatter broadcast; not such as shall portray the adherent to the Mormon faith as an individual, or member of society, or as a citizen, or even to trace the effects of such a pernicious doctrine upon the heart and mind of the young reared under its precepts; but to give to all interested, not only in the Christian development of this new

State, but those studying its political and social advancement an accurate knowledge of what this "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints" really teaches; what is meant when its members are exhorted "to live their religion."

These leaflets will contain copious and scrupulously correct extracts from books of this Church held to be direct revelations from God, as much Divinely-inspired as any book of the Bible. The Presbyterian Church has grandly taken the lead in this movement, through the Kinsman Publishing Company, 314 State Street, Salt Lake City. At the last Mission Conference of our own Church prizes were offered for the leaflet best adapted for distribution among the Mormons, and the one best for general circulation. I have in hand much valuable material to be put in leaflet form for use in our own work, received from those who have made an intelligent study of the Mormon faith and practice.

Never was there greater need than now for our Society to stand by Utah. There are in Utah 311 post-offices, and only 70 are touched with evangelical mission work of any description. Do you ask, does any one ask, "Why missionary work in Utah? Why try to supplant the Mormon faith?" Seventeen hundred missionaries, fifteen hundred of them in this country, are proclaiming the doctrine of the Mormon Church, but only in part. Elder George Dunbar, a returned Logan missionary, says: "We do not preach Divine authority, apostasy, salvation for the dead, nor the pre-existence of spirits. We do not preach Joseph Smith nor the Book of Mormon; for such a course would harden their hearts." He might have added: "We do not preach" the infallibility of the "living oracles" (their bishops and priests and other Church officials), that "God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man;" that "he (Adam) is our Father and our God, and the only God with whom we have to do;" that "sin is necessary to eternal life;" that all civil government is illegitimate, except as officered by the Mormon priesthood;" that "Jesus Christ was a polygamist;" that "polygamy is as much a part of their faith to-day as it ever was, is one of their fundamental principles taught in their Churches and schools."

These are the doctrines we would displace in the minds and hearts of the young, and the old, too, if they would listen, for the pure principles and experience of the Christian religion which always bring unspeakable peace to every heart and happiness to every home.

May God give us courage, wisdom, and grace for the prosecution of our work in Utah!

Mrs. B. S. POTTER, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH).

WITH the opening of this year new possibilities and responsibilities face the Woman's Home Missionary Society, especially the department that includes the Spanish-speaking people.

There is a call for workers who understand the people and their speech to go to Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines. Our Church is preparing to step out and send the gospel to such territory as will come under the protection of our flag. Should not the Woman's Home Missionary Society be ready to fall in line and do its part?

In 1889, Mrs. Annie Norton wrote: "We are sure this is God's work; we fully believe that Methodism has a mission to this Spanish-speaking people. By the mute appeal of ignorance; by the wild, weird cry of superstition; by the helplessness of childhood, they are reaching out their hands to us for gospel light and Christian culture."

Nine added years of seed-sowing, and to-day our hearts echo the same sentiment, and we are glad for the privilege of continuing this work in His name. Many doors stand open for new work; but who will make it possible for us to enter new fields?

### Harwood Home.

This Home school of nineteen very promising young women closed the year with a Rose Festival, our garden furnishing the roses. Our girls all showed the results of careful training, and were a happy and attractive company. Quite recently a young woman, who was a pupil in the Home during its first year, was married to a worthy young man, and it is very gratifying to know that the life in our Home developed an earnest Christian woman, whose life will be an object-lesson to others, worthy of imitation.

One of our beneficiaries, sixteen years of age, at the close of school was found a place with an invalid lady, who took her to the mountains for a month. While there she met a Mexican girl, who had no religious belief. She immediately told her of Jesus, and gave her Spanish Bible to the girl, telling her she "must believe or be lost." When she left the mountains the girl said, "Now I believe." Juniata is an earnest, devout Christian and a faithful Bible student. We are sure there is a future of usefulness for her.

Another of our students prepared a paper in Spanish on Education, and gave it at the Mexican camp-meeting during August. It was very commendable, and was highly complimented. Our teachers were greatly pleased at her success.

A more mature class of girls were in the Home the past year. Several were daughters of Mexican preachers. Better school work, more careful domestic service, and consistent lives are the result. Through the contributions of supplies from Wellington, Kansas, and the Young People's Circle of Foundry Church, in Washington, D. C., our kindergarten was opened. Our dining-room was made comfortable by the gift of a stove from Mrs. Anderson, of Albuquerque, and table-linen from Plainfield, N. J.

Ontario, in Southern California, made a much appreciated contribution of a barrel of fruit.

Miss Ellsworth Apperson, superintendent, and her associate, Miss Anita C. Rodriguey, have won the affection of our students and the respect of the community, who have been critical observers of all that has transpired.

We have promised to admit this year twelve beneficiaries, and look to our friends for their support. The best work is done among this class of students, and it is real missionary work. Dear friends, help us. Fifty dollars each for these rough stones to be polished and made fit for the temple.

### Las Cruces.

Five years of missionary work in Las Cruces closed June 30th by Miss M. J. Tripp. During those years there has been in her school an enrollment of 348 pupils, with an average daily attendance of 2534. She has made 1,003 visits to the sick and needy, and distributed 1,035 tracts, leaflets, and papers. Her mission has been to young and old. The Church and Sunday-school have been greatly strengthened by her teaching and life.

An urgent need of similar work in connection with our Spanish

mission in El Paso has caused us to request her transfer to that place. She begins her work visiting among the people, and will teach a school in connection with our mission for the Mexicans.

#### **Las Vegas.**

Our school, under the care of Miss Nellie Snider, continues to gather in a varied class of children and youth. During the winter months the enrollment is large, but as spring advances some of our pupils are taken away to help look after the sheep and goats.

Miss Snider's labor on Sunday among the Mexican children is truly mission work.

Temperance lessons are given regularly, and no opportunity missed in bringing to the people the truth, and in leading the youth to a better way of life.

MRS. ANNA KENT, *Secretary*:

### **BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).**

#### **Dulce, New Mexico.**

THIS has been the most successful year in the history of this mission. A larger number of pupils have been in attendance, and most excellent work done. David Caldwell, who assisted Miss Moore in the school work, has entered college, and the eldest young lady pupil, Lasiada Ruyhal, will in good time become the wife of a young minister of the New Mexico Conference. Thus our pupils go out to fill places of usefulness.

Early in the year Miss Clegg was laid aside for a time by physical disability, but through the loving kindness of our Heavenly Father she has been restored, and has resumed her former duties. Through the kind helpfulness of friends in sending more beneficiary money and more barrels of supplies all have been better provided for.

Miss Moore came East, and was in attendance upon the Annual Meeting at Minneapolis. We who have the privileges of social fellowship and the best of pulpit service, can have little idea of what such opportunities were to her. She returned to her field of work, overwhelmed with the help pledged for the school, the kindness shown her by every one, and especially the material help received from the ladies of Wesley Chapel and Hennepin Avenue Churches. Her prayers will surely be fervent for those who so gladdened her heart. May the dear Lord reward them!

#### **Navajo Mission.**

It is with profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we are able to report progress at this mission. Much of the time Mrs. Eldridge has been out on the reservation, or at the new mission of the Woman's National Indian Association at "Two Gray Hills." This has left Miss Tripp with the care of the house, and to attend to the Navajos that are constantly coming on all sorts of errands. Frank, the interpreter, and a trusty Christian maid, have been faithful helpers.

May 1, 1898, marks an epoch in the history of this mission, as on that day Rev. Thomas Harwood made his first visit there and organized a Church class. This was followed by the reorganization of the Sunday-school, which was sustained by the white people during Miss Tripp's vacation. These are manifesting greater interest in the mission, and are often very helpful and are anxious for a school, as there has never been

one in that vicinity, and the children are growing up in ignorance and degradation.

Some of the Mormons propose to send their children. The Navajoes, too, desire a school where their children may learn to speak English. This is a wonderful change, for the first message from the Navajoes to our missionaries was, "We want no school."

It is proposed to open a school where the white children can attend as day pupils, and the Navajoes be kept there through the winter, as the parents move from place to place to find pasturage for their flocks. A small dormitory is needed, at an expense of about \$150.

Some of the Navajoes are beginning to comprehend the truths of the gospel, and are daily praying to God, and will come alone to talk with the missionaries about living Christian lives, and how they can know what is right and pleasing to the Lord. Brother Harwood is expected there again soon, when he will baptize more of the people, who will unite with the class.

I want to ask you to pray for our self-sacrificing missionaries. We have little idea of the hardships and perils they are passing through to plant our missions on the outposts of civilization.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

THE most notable movement in the Indian Department this year has been among the Five Nations, who are about coming into territorial relations with the United States, thus assuring citizenship. Also the long-wronged Seminoles of Florida have promise of their rights in that beloved home of theirs.

We have not yet heard from the late Indian conference at Mohawk. How great an influence that august council exerts for the good of the two great wronged races who abide with us and look to us for all that men desire!

Our Indian and frontier missions are chiefly in Oklahoma, in the northeastern corner of the State. There are two in Washington and one in California. At Pawnee, Osage, and Ponca, in Oklahoma, we employ the wives of ministers appointed by the Oklahoma Conference, with the condition that the minister shall not be removed without the sanction of our Board. At Pawnee, our beautiful grove of five acres, which is at the agency, is much coveted by the Indians for their sports; but is ours as long as we employ a missionary there, who sacredly holds it for us. The missionary petitions for a small mission residence to be built there. The minister, who is a Pawnee, is rigorous in his Church discipline, and while there is a good religious influence, he reports fewer members, because below his standard of piety. She reports the happy, hopeful sickbeds of those who are trusting in God.

### Ponca.

A great deal of activity prevails at Ponca. The agent and whites, with the Indians, were about building a church. By the change of agent the building is retarded, though not relinquished. Mr. and Mrs. Simms devote their time to visiting the camps, receiving the Indians, counseling and helping them. He preaches at two points on the reservation. At the Government schools there are two hundred children enrolled, about equally divided between Ponca and Pawnee.

### Osages.

At Pawhuska our white school has continued through the year, with an enrollment of fifty-three pupils. Rev. A. G. Murray preaches every Sunday for whites and Indians, and has two Sunday-schools out on the reservation. One of our cottages, purchased when we had a contract Indian school, rents for \$120 per year. Our Mission Homes are in good condition, and much pains are taken with vegetables and flowers as an object-lesson. These Osages like their old life of rest and play, and therefore rent their houses and farms, and live in a tent, with a bright fire, the smoke rising through a hole in the roof. The Osages are not dying out, but are steadily increasing in numbers. Like Ponca and Pawnee, this station has suffered from the removal of a friendly Christian agent, who not only contributed liberally himself to the Indian Church, but influenced others. These have been displaced for Catholics or irreligious men. The poor Indian is still at the mercy of politicians.

### Ukiah, California.

Rev. J. L. Burchard, though aged, is still our missionary, still a father to the Indians scattered over an area of many miles. There are three Indian day-schools, in which earnest Christian women are employed, and the fruits are unto salvation. Father Burchard has done a great work for the whole country on the line of temperance.

### Washington.

Among Father Wilbur's Yakimas, Mrs. Miller, at Fort Simcoe, reports revival influence. A church is about to be dedicated, followed by a protracted-meeting. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has been granted forty acres of the one hundred and sixty acres of land given our Church by the Government. Mrs. Miller has secured pleasant rooms twenty-five miles from her home, where she spends part of her time, that she may labor with the people of that locality. From her lot, which she has planted herself with the Indians' help, she has an abundance of vegetables and fruit, enough to divide with the Indians. They are learning, by her example, to put away these things for winter.

### Stickney Home

Has had a year of ordinary prosperity; fifteen pupils enrolled, that number being all for whom we have pledges. The change in the characters and conduct of the children for good is very encouraging. They excel in writing, drawing, and singing, but are deficient in mathematics and putting their ideas together in composition. Mrs. Stickney, at an entertainment at Thousand Island Park, raised more than one hundred dollars for painting the house. It is hoped that scholarships enough will be taken to increase our number of pupils to at least twenty-five.

The Indians need us. Just now we read of their outbreak in Minnesota. Whatever the fault of the Indian in this matter, according to Commissioner Jones, as quoted in the *Chicago Tribune*, it is the old, old story of removal, and white greed and injustice. But the speedy righting of the wrong in this case, under Commissioner Jones's inspection, gives still further promise of future justice and kindness to the Indians.

MRS. C. H. McCABE, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR ALASKA.

LAST year I brought you joy and gladness, because of the steady development of our work in the Jesse Lee Home; the completion of our new building, with not a dollar of indebtedness upon it; the consecration of our devoted missionaries; the assistance given in the Home by the Government teachers, who board there, and who dwell in unity with the Home folks, were all pleasant features of our work.

This year I come emphasizing the above, and with rejoicing in the results. You have marveled at the intelligence of these samples of your beneficiaries; but if I could tell you the history of each one, and you could understand the "pit from whence they were digged," you would be more surprised. These children are *en route* to the Government school at Carlisle, Pa., where better facilities are obtained for their advancement. Six went there last year. I asked the superintendent of the girl's department, Miss Shaffner, these questions: These children have been under your supervision now over a year; what is your candid opinion about them? Does it pay to bring them here? How do they compare with others? What can I say to the people who have been supporting them? etc. In substance, the answers were: "Yes, it pays. They are doing well; far above the average. Their training before they came here was superior to most of those who come. They speak purer English; and those who have helped them thus far have done a good work. You, who have been helping, do not think your work accomplished, because your beneficiary has been promoted. Take another, for these places will all be filled by others who need it as much as they did."

Changes have come to us in various ways. First, our matron, Miss Sowle, came home in June, and on July 6th was united in marriage with Dr. Albert Newhall, of Stoneham, Mass., and instead of going to Africa, as was the original intention, Mr. Newhall returned with his wife to Unalaska, and he became a Government teacher and physician to the Home. Since his arrival in Alaska, Bishop McCabe has appointed him as a local preacher, under the Missionary rule. The presiding elder, Rev. Mr. Larsen, has visited the Home, and comes back with changed ideas about our work, and is now sure we have expended wisely in erecting so substantial a building. He said, "I never thought much of the work there;" but now since his own eyes have seen, and he knows for himself, the needs, he is a friend in full sympathy. You can not appreciate, as your Committee can, the fact that in these days, when hundreds have visited our Home and spread the news about the work and the workers, the name of the Jesse Lee Home "is as ointment poured forth." Three hundred men have been in our service during the past winter; men who were there building boats for the Yukon trade, others who were stranded waiting for transportation; many of them weary and discouraged—homesick; away from all that was uplifting. And for hundreds of miles the only place of Protestant worship was in our "Eliza Jane Baker chapel."

Miss Mellor, the superintendent of the Government school, is home for this winter. She has done splendid work in her school, and while Miss Sowle was home this summer, took charge of the mission, and from all we can learn, proved a matron not to be ashamed of. Her sister, and assistant teacher in the school, Miss Ada, came East in August, and she, too, has married a minister. Each of these noble women has been a great success, and are just such stuff as missionaries are made of. Miss Mack, who has been among the Moravians up the Kuskokwim for six years, has taken Miss Mellor's place for the present. Dr. Newhall writes,



"We feel Miss Mack is sent of God." She is a valuable worker and splendid teacher. Mrs. Newhall and Miss Rinch are still our faithful missionaries, and are battling against much opposition from the State Church of Russia.

We find there the baser element of those who drift to a new country, and a rampant liquor-traffic carried on in many places without molestation. Traders come in schooners with cargoes of whisky, labeled Catsup, Florida Water, Bay Rum, Pain Killer, Jamaica Ginger, Rubber Boots, Onions, Sugar, and numberless devices to avoid the prohibitory law. And under absolute prohibition the Government collects a license. The natives assimilate sin as well as righteousness; sad it is, that sin doth much more abound. The Czar of Russia expends sixty thousand dollars annually in Alaska to pay the priesthood; more than all Protestant denominations in this country combined. The Græco-Russian Church is found in all the larger places. It is simply a Church of sterile forms and image-worship, and its adherents are as far from knowing what true religion is, as those who are in the inmost depths of pagan darkness. It seems to have no uplifting power. In many districts the people are nominally members of the Russian Church, but they are as far from Christ as those in the heathen portions of Alaska. When coupled with this the fact that Tom Paine's "Age of Reason" is called the "Yukon Bible," and, reasoning from cause to effect, must believe it to be true, does it not make it the more essential that we double our diligence?

Some one has with truth said: "The gold diggings in the region of the Yukon will draw a steady stream of capital and population in that direction for years to come, and every branch of Western trade and commerce will have the benefit of it." Our Alaskan Territory has already assumed an importance in the eyes of the commercial world not dreamed of three years ago, and its development as a mining region has only begun. Nearly half a century ago the prophetic eye of New York's foremost statesman, William H. Seward, foresaw the dazzling future. It seems almost as if he might have peered into the wonderful events of the present, when he said, from his seat in the Senate, that "The Pacific Ocean, its shores, its islands, and the vast region beyond will become the chief theater of events in the world's great hereafter." And now the air is full of "expansion," and as Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri, says: "We must fall into line at its bugle-blast, go forward to Hawaii and Porto Rico, and possess the land. To the Philippines, also, if the flag we love and honor is going to float there." And let us not tarry as we did in Alaska, but go before the old ways are adjusted. Our work is one of patience and of time. As soon as we can, we propose industrial pursuits for both boys and girls; shoemaking, curing hay (by means of silos), carpet-weaving, herding reindeer, etc. The Commercial Companies will give our boys the preference upon the Seal Islands, if they are prepared, as well upon other islands. We are expecting a dozen Esquimaux from the North, and others from the mainland next summer. These will be entirely virgin soil, and we feel more can be accomplished with these than with those who have been kept under the bondage of superstition. Yet we intend to do all we can for those on the Aleutian Chain. Especially are we anxious for moral and spiritual growth, that comes only with the spirit of "Him who went about doing good." We need your sympathy and your earnest soul-breathings to Him who always answers our sincere prayers for strength and wisdom, that the arduous efforts necessary to success may receive Divine approval. The great need now is a small Hospital,\* and I am thankful that a conditional appropriation

\*Since the above was written, I am happy to say, the General Board of Managers voted unanimously to appropriate \$10,000 (conditioned upon its being raised) for a hospital, and \$2,051 has been subscribed for this purpose. Help just a little.

adequate for this purpose has been granted. It would be a boon to the whole Aleutian Chain, as well as to the many travelers who come into the harbor and are often in need of medical or surgical attention. If I could impress upon you what it means in that country to have even a clean place to lie down in, your hearts would be stirred, and then the suffering that it would be the means of mitigating, I am sure your conscience would be quickened, and you feel under obligations to give a little toward accelerating this cause. Then the homes it would open to us, the good it would do in indirect and collateral lines can never be estimated.

MRS. ANNA F. BEILER, *Secretary*.

### BUREAU FOR IMMIGRANTS.

THE work among the immigrants as they land upon our piers, dazed by their surroundings, unable to understand or to be understood, is one that calls for common sense and kind hearts in the workers. Added experience gives tact, and we are fortunate in having the same missionaries on our piers for several years. They are no ordinary women, and I stand in their presence and listen to their varied experiences with bated breath; and while I admire their keen and often adroit measures to sift iniquity and help the deluded, I thank God that he gives us the work and the consecrated workers. Immigration increased from January, 1898, to August, 1898, there landing in New York ten thousand more than in that time last year. It is still much less than formerly, having decreased since 1893. But our work is so much better understood, and the officials on the piers appreciate more and more our missionaries and the good work which they do, our Homes are better filled, and they each year have greater responsibilities.

#### No. 9 State Street, New York.

New York has made a great advance this year, and we rejoice in the increased facilities for work. Last May the Home was moved to a large, five-story, commodious house, at No. 9 State Street. It is located just opposite the Barge Office, where all the immigrants land, just the place for the Home. This change was a necessity. The old quarters have long been inadequate in size, and below our conception of what such a Home should be in sanitary arrangement and convenience every way. The present Home is a representative Home, and should be kept. Of course, the expense is largely increased; but the income is also increased and the magnitude of the work. As the "gateway of a Nation," it demands a larger outlay than we have thus far given it. Our missionary, Miss A. Matthews, has met this past year 808 steamers, averaging over two a day. There has landed 178,748 immigrants from June 30, 1897, to July 1, 1898. Of this number over four thousand were from England, over one thousand from Scotland, more than one thousand from Wales, and over seventeen thousand from Ireland; the balance from different nations, the Italian predominating, and being the leading nationality landing at this port. About three-fourths of all immigrants landing here are Catholics. The laws regulating immigration are about the same as for several years past. With the enlarged house, there has been an increase of inmates. Mrs. H. C. Waite, the superintendent, has done excellent work, and she and Miss Matthews are working harmoniously together for the same ends, and have seen fruit in the conversion of several girls in the Home. The field here is not measured by square feet. Hundreds of thousands of souls here every year may be helped to better, purer lives, or left to Satan's snares. They pass this way but once. Shall we falter, or give New York what it needs to carry forward this work?

## STATISTICAL REPORT.

For the Year ending September 30, 1898.

No. 9 State Street, New York City.

Number of steamers met .....	808
Number of lodgings provided .....	3,004
Number of meals furnished .....	10,823
Number of women .....	165
Number of children .....	23
Number of Protestants .....	186
Number of Catholics .....	3
Number of nations represented .....	12
Number of situations secured .....	39
Number of letters and postals written .....	541
Number of telegrams sent .....	54
Number of girls sent to friends .....	94

## 72 and 74 Marginal Street, East Boston, Mass.

Our workers in this Home, Mrs. A. C. Clark, missionary and superintendent, and Miss Lillian Huff, assistant, have been in labors abundant all the year. The former, on the piers, has met the fifty-four incoming steamers. She has also been untiring in her work in the Home, and there, with the help of Miss Huff, much grand work has been done for the Master. Among the 557 cared for, there have been many cases of special interest,—husbands and fathers in two instances, with helpless, motherless children; the mother in one case dying on the passage, and in the other, soon after her arrival. These were aided and cheered in their great distress. Girls, sick and dying, have been buried from our chapel. Three happy brides have also gone out from the chapel to homes of their own—girls who had been sheltered in the Home when landing years before. Mrs. Clark's deft fingers arraying both for the bridal and for the tomb. Religious meetings for the Swedes are still held Sundays and evenings in this chapel, with good results. The sewing-class of sixty young girls of different nationalities, with Miss Huff as assistant, is a great success. They have a picnic every year, and free rides occasionally, the gift of some Auxiliary. There have been 472 free lodgings and 1,931 free meals given during the year. Christmas and Thanksgiving Festivals, that made seventy-five and fifty joyous hearts, were the gift of Auxiliaries. Tracts and other literature have been freely distributed, and also much clothing among the poor outside and surrounding the Home. Much misery and distress has been alleviated among these people. A family of six children kept in day and Sunday school during the year. The sick and dying have been visited and helped. Last May the tenth anniversary of immigrant work in this city was celebrated, Mrs. Clark, in addition to her many cares, planning a sale and a public meeting in the chapel. The Home was in most perfect order, inside painting and papering and outside painting having been done, and all expenses paid by Mrs. Clark, who solicited the funds, \$224, mostly from outside friends and those who had been recipients of blessing in the Home. A flag, sixteen by eight and one-half feet, was flung to the breeze amid shouts and whistle-blowing—the flag a gift from one of the trustees of the Home, Mr. A. R. Whittier. A widow and three children have been sent to their native land; one girl rescued from a life of shame. This is a skeleton sketch only of the various kinds of work done in this Home. Showers of blessing are constantly

falling, and the workers have much to cheer their hearts amid their very toilsome days and nights of service. The following statistics are for the year ending September 30, 1898:

Number of steamers met .....	54
Number of lodgings provided .....	2,558
Number of meals furnished .....	9,636
Number of women .....	338
Number of children .....	60
Number of men .....	159
Number of Protestants .....	487
Number of Catholics .....	73
Number of nations represented .....	11
Number of situations secured .....	29
Number of tracts and papers distributed .....	4,749
Number of letters and postals written .....	486
Number of telegrams sent .....	15
Number of girls sent to friends .....	48
Number of calls made .....	38
Irish leading nationality.	

#### Philadelphia Immigrant Work.

The Immigrant Home in this city was given up in the early part of the year. Its location was not what was desired, neither was the building adapted to the work. The Conference Society enlarged their deaconess work at considerable expense, and consequently did not feel able to purchase a new Home at present. The work on the piers has been done, however, and a deaconess has met all incoming steamers. The bewildered traveler has been directed to good quarters and to friends. Some who had no friends to care for them, and unable to pay for themselves, have been lodged and fed at the expense of the ladies until arrangements could be made for their care and support. Evening classes have been held, and much good work done. Quite a good deal of money has been paid for families in distressed circumstances, and our Philadelphia ladies have a warm heart towards the immigrant, and not far in the future we expect the work will be again fully taken up, and a Home purchased. A large number of Hungarians and Russian and Polish Jews have landed there this year, and they are a hard class to help. The statistical report seems very meager compared with past years, but figures can not tell the good work done.

#### STATISTICS FOR PHILADELPHIA, PA.

For the Year ending June 30, 1898.

Number of steamers met .....	64
Number of meals furnished .....	9
Number of situations secured .....	2
Number of Bibles and Testaments given .....	1,124
Number of postals and letters written .....	16
Number of telegrams sent .....	49
Number of persons aided .....	14
Number of persons sent to friends .....	6

MRS. G. W. MANSFIELD, *Secretary*.

## MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME.

(York, Nebraska.)

God has graciously blessed Mothers' Jewels Home this year with prosperity and abundant harvests. Prompt remittances from General Treasury have been most helpful.

For the second time since its establishment death has broken the ranks. Dear Mabel, who eight years ago came to the Home a delicate child, was transplanted in early May to the realm of the blessed, where the inhabitants never say, I am sick. Two months later, Mrs. C. A. Marine, the boys' governess, beloved by all, and for several years counted indispensable to the work, was called from labors abundant to her heavenly reward. Through the rifts of these death-shadows we catch the glad music of the redeemed, who praise and adore Him who called us to "rescue the perishing."

There has been more or less severe illness among adults and a score or more of the children during the winter and early spring. We are happy to report that health again reigns triumphant.

One of our Home boys—Roy Ray Johnston—responded to our country's call for volunteers, and was accepted. His physical examination was the best of any in his company. The physician said it was because he never used tobacco or intoxicants. He went to Camp Chickamauga, returning without seeing a sick day. He is now clerking in a mercantile establishment in Nebraska City.

Della (who has been eight years in the Home) and Alice, who a year or two since was rescued from the quicksands of overwhelming temptation, but now most consecrated girls, are in the Omaha Hospital, hoping to be nurse-deaconesses when older. One is assistant teacher in the Home school, and is doing well. Another is the Home stenographer, and doing valuable service in other departments as she has time. One is caring for her invalid mother. Ivan Penkoff, our Alaskan boy, is happy and useful, and promises to fulfill our expectations.

All below the sixth grade attend the Home school, which numbers fifty scholars. The remainder attend the town schools.

Children in the Home October 1, 1897.....	55
Received during the year.....	44
Placed in private homes.....	29
Remaining in Home October 1, 1898.....	70

Thanksgiving and Fourth of July were made festive by appropriate exercises and good cheer. Those formerly children in the Home, but now in business or in adopted homes, come trooping home for these occasions.

Words of appreciation from Bishop Ninde, Dr. Leonard, the Nebraska Conferences, and others visiting the Home, have greatly cheered the hearts of those in charge.

The Board of Trustees approved changing the name of what was formerly called the New Dormitory to that of MAIN BUILDING.

We had fully expected to have had in place before this meeting the memorial windows, plates, and tablets, memorializing as ordered by those having paid the requisite amounts for naming memorial windows, rooms, and doors. Unavoidable hindrances have delayed the completion of this work, although it is well under way, and the two hundred dollars appropriated for this expense is in hand.

We bespeak for our little *Quarterly Greetings* the kindly consideration and support of all. We hope to improve by experience.

We learn that there is no other Protestant Home where children may

be boarded for a little time, and then returned to parents. Ours has been regarded as most humane, as well as superior in advantages given. Many are enabled to hold positions to earn a livelihood for their families, because their little ones are thus provided for.

Our girls have advantages of industrial training, such as cooking and all kinds of housework, sewing, dressmaking, etc. We are looking forward to adding industrial training for our boys in carpenter's, blacksmith's, harnessmaker's, and shoemaker's trades, fast as friends can be found to donate for this purpose. Much is expected from our "Farmers' Lend-a-hand Brigade" plan, which the assistant chairman has devised.

Mrs. Spurlock and Mrs. Woodcock have conducted to gratifying success the Mothers' Jewels Home alcove in the Nebraska Building of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition in Omaha.

I should not be just were I not to give highest tribute to the untiring, self-sacrificing, and wise services of Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock and Miss Middaugh, who have done so nobly themselves, and supervised their five regular helpers. Each of these helpers is worthy of personal mention. They are indeed demonstrating the practicability, and recognize rich results of "applied Christianity" for Love of Christ and in His Name.

Mrs. J. P. Negus, *Chairman of Committee.*

## GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME.

(Cincinnati, Ohio.)

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME, 641 West Fourth Street, has closed the seventh year of its history. The outlook never was so bright as now, the entire indebtedness on the building having been paid off, and the Home being renovated from attic to cellar.

Every room has been occupied during the year with missionaries and workers, or with young women who have sought the shelter of a Christian home during their sojourn in the city. Thirty young people have made their home with us at some time during the year. We are thus following the plan of the Young Women's Christian Association in this department of our work.

The workers at the beginning of the year consisted of Mrs. D. E. Taylor, superintendent; Mrs. R. E. Stone—who gave a year's work gratuitously to the Home—assistant; Mrs. Allison, superintendent of Missions; Miss Feakins, missionary; Miss Lingkenfelter and Miss Wolfer, kindergartners. Two more missionaries were added during the year, Miss Bassett and Miss Morris; one kindergartner, Miss E. Reed, in charge of our new kindergarten at Riverside; Mr. Chester Mathewson, technical teacher. Mrs. Robert Clement, Mrs. Woodruff, and Mrs. De Hart have weekly aided the missionaries with the industrial work.

The same departments of work have been carried on as heretofore.

## RELIGIOUS.

The Sunday-school was held regularly each Sabbath morning, one hundred and fourteen pupils being enrolled. Mrs. Allison says: "The interest has been intense, teaching has been a joy, and we have felt it a privilege to tell the 'old, old story' to eager listeners."

Evangelistic services were held each Thursday evening. The attendance has been spasmodic, sometimes the missionaries being greeted with a full house, at other times only ten or twelve having gathered. The interest, however, has never died out, and the meetings have been a blessing to many sin-sick souls.

We have to deal with a transient population. Many of our people, after conversion, are so perceptibly elevated in their tastes and aims that they are no longer content to have their children associate familiarly with street waifs, nor the saloon, with its pernicious influence, near at hand; so they seek a more inviting neighborhood, and we lose them. Though our missionaries miss their support and sympathy, they cheerfully go out into the "byways" in search of other straying ones; for this is the object of our work—the elevation of our neglected neighbors, for whom Christ died.

### THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Consists of three kindergartens: One held in the spacious assembly-room at Glenn Home; another situated at our Mission, corner of Front and Fifth Streets; and the third at Riverside. Our kindergartners are earnest Christian women, who strive for the spiritual development of the child, as well as the physical and mental. One hundred and fifty precious little ones are under their loving training, and we feel assured that their lives will be influenced for good by the ideals set before them in childhood.

### THE INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

Provides a sewing-school for younger girls, with an attendance of seventy-five. The quantity and quality of their work have been gratifying. This class has made twenty-five iron-holders and several dozen complete suits for dolls. The dolls were the gift of one of the members of the Board, and as each child could become the happy possessor of one of them as soon as its trousseau was completed, the interest never flagged!

The older girls have learned plain sewing and knitting, while the forty young women, who have given their sewing-class the dignified name of "The Young Ladies' Industry Club," have met twice a week, and have completed twenty-five purses, twelve pairs of slippers, forty-five gingham aprons, twenty-six white skirts, and nineteen dresses, besides doing some Kensington embroidery under the instruction of Mrs. Stone.

Sixty girls have been in attendance upon the kitchengarten classes. They have learned by experience that one can be happy, even merry, in the performance of household duties. They sing:

"Within our mission school-house,  
In a bright and sunny room,  
We girls are taught to wash and scrub,  
And how to use the broom."

Could we teach the vast difference between housekeeping and home-making to the women of the next century, we would do much towards the salvation of the Nation.

Twenty-five boys have met in the technical class twice a week at the Mission. Mr. Mathewson succeeded in winning the respect and esteem of the boys, and many happy, instructive hours were passed in the "carpenter-shop." No opportunity was lost in impressing upon them that, as they were permitted to follow in the footsteps of the "Carpenter of Nazareth," so also it was their privilege and duty to imitate his purity of heart and life.

Twenty-five dollars worth of tools was the gift of one of the members of the Board to this class.

In the early part of the year a music class was opened, under the direction of Mrs. Allison. Twelve girls were instructed on the piano for a small sum per lesson. While encouraging the study of music as a

Christianizing and refining influence in the home, the money received aided our industrial work. The class was soon given to one of the young ladies who makes her home with us, and who has chosen music as her life-work.

### MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

We thoroughly believe in the ministry of *work* at Glenn Home, and no one comes under our influence who is not given the joy of loving service for others. Hence, our women and children are organized into *Auxiliaries* and *Bands* of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Glenn Home Auxiliary met each week, and learned something about the missionary work carried on by the women of our Church, and did what they could to help them.

This Auxiliary, of twenty-five members, by much self-sacrifice, paid one dollar apiece as yearly dues, gave a thank-offering of one dollar, paid five dollars to the Emergency Fund, making a total of thirty-three dollars and seventy-seven cents. Will they not receive the "well-done" of the Master?

The children call their Missionary Band "The Willing Hearts." Do they not put many of the children from wealthy homes to shame by their enthusiastic labors for the missionary cause?

These twenty-five children of our mission families met weekly during the year, and have given one dollar as Thank-offering, five dollars to the Emergency Fund, and six dollars and twenty-five cents toward Sunday-school supplies and current expenses of the Mission.

Sixty of the babies have given ten cents each towards "The Mothers' Jewels Home" at York, Nebraska.

The Church will never call in vain for missionaries while this practical training is given the children.

The mothers of the children of each of our kindergartens have been formed into Mothers' Clubs. While receiving much instruction themselves, they have lent a helping hand. The Pine Street Club raised \$7.75 cash, and did much local missionary work.

The mothers at Riverside have been most enthusiastic in raising funds for defraying a portion of the expense of their kindergarten.

Miss Feakins has been an acceptable weekly visitor at the City Hospital. Several have professed conversion through her earnest labors. Several thousand visits have been made among the poor. Clothing and food have been given, though only to the destitute. The sick and dying have been comforted by the tender ministrations of the missionaries, the dead have been prepared for burial, and the sorrowing have had the sweet name of Jesus whispered in their ears.

Quarterly sales have been held, where clothing has been purchased for trifling sums. The Woman's Home Missionary Society desires to inculcate self-helpfulness, and believes it is better for our people to be buyers than beneficiaries.

### THE SOCIAL DEPARTMENT

Has been somewhat neglected, simply because the missionaries have been overwhelmed with work which demanded immediate attention. Two social evenings, however, were spent at Riverside. At Glenn Home and at the Mission, Christmas and Washington's birthday were celebrated. The Rainbow Fête, a Children's Cantata, was given, and Saturday, June 11th, is memorable as the day of our excursion and picnic.



As Glenn Home is the special work of the Cincinnati Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we are desirous of receiving a gift from each Auxiliary, Circle, and Band each year for its support.

Clothing, groceries, and supplies of all kinds, are constantly needed; but we would particularly ask, as thank-offerings and special gifts, money to meet the salaries of the missionaries. The missionaries come to us with the self-sacrificing spirit, and receive only eight, ten, or twelve dollars per month, including board and laundry; kindergartners, twenty dollars. We wish to increase the number of workers. Will you not help us to do so?

The Treasurer reports receipts, \$2,197.90; disbursements, \$2,090.63; balance on hand, \$107.27.

Thanking each individual, Auxiliary, Circle, and Band for generous gifts of money and supplies, which have enabled us to carry on the work during the year, and bespeaking your prayers and interest during the coming year,

We are respectfully,

MRS. I. D. JONES, *Chairman.*

MRS. R. DYMOND, *Vice-Chairman.*

MRS. J. H. CHAS. SMITH, *Secretary.*

MRS. GEO. H. THOMPSON, *Treasurer.*

## ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.

(Newberry Avenue, Chicago, Ill.)

THE compass of our yearly report gives but small space for details. We can only hint at what we are doing, and planning to do.

The following schedule of daily exercises gives an outline of the work that is carried on at the Home, and will suggest what can not be accurately portrayed: the busy scenes enacted at certain hours when throughout the house several occupations are in operation at the same time.

### Marcy Home Bulletin.

- Monday.—4-5 P. M., Girls' Circle, Miss Hall.  
           7-9 P. M., Boys' Basket Weaving, Miss Stacks.
- Tuesday.—4-5 P. M., Girls' Circle, Miss Hall.  
           7-9 P. M., Boys' Sloyd, Mr. Avery.
- Wednesday.—3-4 P. M., Dispensary, Dr. Richards.  
           7-9 P. M., Girls' Gymnasium, Miss Cleveland.  
           7-9 P. M., Cooking, Miss Willard.  
           7-9 P. M., Dressmaking, Miss Hall.  
           7-9 P. M., Embroidery, Miss Wallace.
- Thursday.—4-5 P. M., Kitchengarden, Miss Mills.  
           7-30-9 P. M., Bible Study, Miss Fowler.
- Friday.—3-30-6 P. M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.  
           6-30-8 P. M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.  
           8-9 P. M., Choral Class, Miss Collins.  
           7-9 P. M., Boys' Gymnasium, Mr. Avery.
- Saturday.—8-30-12 M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.  
           1-30-3 P. M., Sewing-school, Miss Whitehead.  
           3-4 P. M., Dispensary, Dr. Hayner.  
           7-9 P. M., Drawing, Mr. De Bra.
- Sunday.—2-30 P. M., Sunday-school.  
           7-30 P. M., Preaching, Rev. H. R. De Bra.

Kindergarten every school-day, 9 A. M., to 12 M., Miss Snyder, Director.

Dressmaking Class No. 2 on Tuesday evening, Miss Hall.

Library open Tuesday and Friday, 3.30 to 5 P. M.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 P. M.

Calling done every day, when possible.

This schedule of occupations also indicates our ultimate purpose concerning the development of our work. It will be seen that we seek to strengthen the body, develop skill, and cultivate the mind and heart.

"The destruction of the poor is their poverty." Their salvation lies in the fact that we can furnish the training—mental and moral stimulus, with dexterity of hand—that will fit them for successful effort. We help them, not by what we give, but by the skill and strength of purpose that we impart; and so in every opening avenue we are applying this principle—helping them to help themselves.

To this end all our work is carried on in reference to careful, patient execution, rather than the accomplishment of immediate results in a finished product.

Social and labor questions largely affect people uncomfortably crowded in the close quarters of our great cities. They see things at short range. A leading purpose of our work is to create the sentiment of the dignity of labor. Our household economics are all arranged upon this plan.

Changes have been made in regard to public religious services during the year. Up to the close of the Conference year (October, 1898), one service for aged people was held in the Bohemian tongue. That is now discontinued, and all our work is carried on in English, and no distinction of nationality is observed. Our pastor is appointed by the Conference, a man full of energy and devotion to his work. He is in part supported by the City Missionary Society. There are already some conversions, and a growing interest.

We have a flourishing Junior League, under an experienced leader. Our Sunday-school, that has always occupied a prominent place, is still prosperous, numbering one hundred and fifty, and in department is a model school. Two afternoons of each week are given to the Dispensary. Through this means much sickness and misery are alleviated. Pitiful cases of suffering and need, aggravated to a degree possible only under such conditions as are found in the tenement quarters of our great cities, come under our observation, in connection with the work of the Dispensary. Heart-breaking incidents are of frequent occurrence, and tax the strength and fidelity of our faithful visitors, one of whose most necessary offices has been to find hospital care for the sick, and an asylum for their helpless children. This very indispensable part of our work is mainly equipped and supported by one of our enterprising Auxiliaries.

Besides our four capable and efficient resident workers, there are fifteen others who carry on or assist in the different departments, most of whose service is gratuitous, or for a trivial compensation. We are under great obligations to these for their self-sacrificing labor in the classes, as well as to all who have contributed during the year to occasional entertainments. Space forbids enumeration. They are all gratefully remembered.

Miss Whitehead is still with us in unswerving devotion to her sewing class that she carried through the last year, and Miss Cleveland, a competent instructor in gymnastics, is doing a good work for the girls. Instruction in these two classes, while of the highest order, is wholly gratuitous.

A strenuous effort will be made this year to remove the remaining indebtedness on the building. This will leave the property free from all incumbrance, and admit of further enlargement of our plans.

E. E. MARCY, *Chairman*.

## WATTS DE PEYSTER INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

(Tivoli, New York.)

EACH year of its existence "Watts de Peyster Home" has increased in usefulness and prosperity. The year just past has been no exception, for we gratefully bring to this Annual Meeting the very best results ever presented, because of the addition of many new friends who have been most generous in their gifts, and the continued faithful giving of our older friends. The new workers, who came to the Home in March, have proven themselves both enthusiastic and competent in their several departments. Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Ackerly, the superintendents, though new to the work, have developed a decided talent in the direction of making a real home for our girls. The educational and industrial training are carried on in a most painstaking and satisfactory manner by Miss Schreder and Miss Feroe, supplemented by Miss Darling, who has given excellent service in primary and kindergarten work among our little folks the past four months. We now have a family of fifty-five girls, the youngest three years of age and the oldest sixteen, each with some responsibility of work suited to their age and strength. Through the generosity of friends on Founder's-day, we were enabled to put up shades to the windows, iron gates and posts to our carriage entrance. A new floor has been laid in the laundry, and a new stove put in. One of our Committee has most royally met the expenses of renovating our school-room at a cost of \$167, besides furnishing it with the best approved desks, etc. We now have one of the finest schoolrooms in the country. We have also the promise of thirteen barrels of flour.

General de Peyster, our benefactor, has furnished a room, putting in four beds complete, four chairs, rugs, and curtains. The beneficiary money received has greatly exceeded the promises, and the members of Auxiliaries and Circles who have taken girls to clothe is large. Packages and barrels containing the very best of material have made glad the hearts of the workers. One gift of one hundred new sheets is deserving of mention. The interest the Home has created in its immediate locality is beautifully shown by the ladies coming to the Home once a week, and spending the afternoon in sewing for the girls. In March, nine of our girls joined the local Church on probation and six in full connection, while the general religious experience of all in the Home is beautifully illustrated in every-day life. The health of the family has been uniformly good. Among our regrets was the enforced resignation of Mrs. James M. King, as Chairman of the Committee, on account of illness, at the beginning of the current year. Though we are deprived of her presence, we still have her sympathy and interest. God has been good to us, and to him be all the glory.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. F. C. MORGAN, *Chairman of Committee*.

## BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK.

THE Deaconess Bureau of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is a plant of vigorous growth. It strikes root deeper, it throws out its branches more widely, it extends its summit higher toward heaven year by year, enriched by the loving sympathy of all the good women of our Society, watered by the dew of constant prayer, and fanned by the fostering winds of God's good providence.

We come to you again with our general report of the work of another year, with two new Homes to present. Jersey City, the daughter of the Newark Conference, was just coming into existence as we met a year ago. Denver, in a quiet way, in October, 1897, opened a Home, with Miss Briggs, from Salt Lake City, as its first deaconess and superintendent. Toil, self-denial, and faith are making a prosperous work in Denver.

The 1st of September, 1898, a small Home opened in Wichita. Miss Hicks, from the last class at Washington, and Miss Beal, from the Buffalo Home, that generous foster-mother of so many Homes, went there. Already this new Home is winning its spurs of achievement. Although so short a time with us, it has sent a student for training to Washington, with her expenses guaranteed.

In the spring, Miss Jones, formerly of Syracuse, went to Glens Falls, N. Y. Miss Wallace, of the Washington school, has gone to the Marcy Home in Chicago. Miss Thornborough is still acting as the deaconess superintendent at Kent Home. In Jackson, Mich., San Diego and Pasadena, Cal., special deaconesses connected with our Homes have served, as also in Paterson and Camden, N. J., Shamokin, and Mt. Carmel, and some other places. We continue to have many more calls for workers than we have trained workers to fill these places. But the special and urgent need is for women of experience and education, who shall be prepared to take places of responsibility; in other words, we want leaders, those who, having the inborn gift of influencing others, shall cultivate and consecrate this gift to Christ's service.

As an illustration of this need, we report that one of our Homes has remained without a superintendent for over five years, and during this last year six centers of deaconess work, some of them positions of large importance, have remained unfilled, lacking suitable workers.

The results accomplished by Miss Bancroft, who for the last six months has served as the Field Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, demonstrate what one woman can do who gives conscientious devotion to this work. Miss Bancroft is the Preceptress and Professor of English at Albion College, but has obtained leave of absence from her college duties for a year and a term, to give herself to this work. The Secretary of the Bureau has, for the last two years, maintained that it was a vital necessity for our large and growing work, amid new conditions, in a new field, where there are no settled lines of procedure, to have some one go from Home to Home, get acquainted with the workers, study their fitness and the kinds of work, so as to know when changes are necessary, and what to recommend. Otherwise we are a loose, disjointed mass, with no coherence or close union. It was also said that such an officer should go to the large District Epworth League Conventions, to especially impress our work on the Mercy and Help Department, attend Chautauqua Assemblies and other important Conventions, and also should form an important part of our National Training-school work, and have voice and influence in its management.

Miss Bancroft has now been with us six months. During that time

she has visited all of our Deaconess Homes east of Denver, become acquainted with their workers, and made over one hundred formal addresses, besides many parlor meetings and informal speeches in the Conferences and States where these Homes are located.

The Deaconess Bureau is already having its work lightened in stationing the deaconesses, as the Field Secretary, knowing the workers personally, has been able to give many valuable suggestions about work and workers.

Naturally, when visiting the Homes and working with the deaconesses, there was no opportunity to collect money, neither at Epworth meetings nor at Conventions, where special soliciting is not permitted; but in these six months she has obtained, in one way or another, about \$1,400 in money or pledges. She has also talked with people of means about future gifts and remembrances in wills. This is in addition to the great work of a Field Secretary, which is to quicken the interest and faith of our workers, unify the work, and prepare for its inevitable growth.

I have spoken more at length on the subject of a Field Secretary, because this experiment is a new one, and should be carefully considered. The residence of the Field Secretary at the National Training-school for a portion of the year, giving lectures to the students and studying the institution with reference to the entire general interests of the work throughout the United States, will tend to keep the institution in closer touch with the general work.

Since September 1st Miss Ida May Durham has served as the "Deaconess-at-Large" of the Bureau, aiding in evangelistic services, speaking to our people, and generally stirring hearts with love to God and our fellow-men—our brothers and sisters in need.

At one meeting, held in a State I will not mention, an aged brother, with wife and no children, came to Miss Durham to arrange for bequeathing his property, valued at about six thousand dollars, to the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

There is one cause that rests heavily upon our heart, and that is "our National Training-school at Washington." We are prospering there; we have more students than ever before; the Methodist ministers of Washington are grandly and generously giving us lectures and aid. Dr. Ames is assisted in his noble work by a devoted Board of helpers in the local Board of Management. But this is not enough. We need a larger library, more resident teachers, and, above all, we need a suitable building, such as you planned for one year ago, but which is not yet begun. We have, however, now secured most desirable land in close vicinity to our present buildings. May every Auxiliary of the Society prayerfully dedicate some sum, small or large, to our longed-for Rust Hall!

Beside the Training-school at Washington, we have an admirable Training-school in Brooklyn, a smaller one in Grand Rapids, a large and thrifty one in San Francisco. This one on the Pacific Coast should be especially cherished and aided by the Home Missionary Society, as is becoming one in that land of the great future. In the time to come the Woman's Home Missionary Society should also have a Training-school in the Middle Central States. We find it most important to have workers who are trained in broad sympathy with all the many-sided work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We commend to you, too, our Hospital for practice—Sibley Hospital—which is opening again this fall with good promise. Miss Aikens, who is the director, comes to us from a Methodist family in Canada; her brother a Methodist minister, she a graduate of a Canadian institution for nurses, and having also taken an additional course at the Polyclinic Hospital in New York. We feel that we are well equipped for the training

of nurse-deaconesses, and this brings us to the larger subject of hospitals everywhere.

Our Woman's Home Missionary Society, in its local work, can well foster hospitals. In its deaconess work, I trust it will be owning very many before another decade passes. There is no better way to preach the gospel among the children of toil and sorrow in any large city; no better way to arrest the attention of careless and Christless people of all classes; no better way to come close home to the heart of humankind, than through the loving ministrings given in the sick-room. Here the deaconess can minister to the poor and rich, and lead them also to see that there are no riches like those that are invested in the bank of heaven; that there is no object so important as preparing for the great eternity beyond.

Deaconesses who are engaged in all these labors must have times of exhaustion, and necessarily need a rest that comes of entire change and cessation from labor. It is gratifying to state that the most beautiful Rest Home for Deaconesses that exists in America to-day is located at Ocean Grove, N. J., and is owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Here this last year over one hundred and forty missionaries, deaconesses, and Christian friends were entertained at this seaside resort. The lectures and devotional meetings, the inspiring sermons and assemblies, all that compose the great program of Ocean Grove during the summer, make this an ideal resting-place for tired Christian workers.

There are now nineteen Homes, either rented or owned by the Society. There are besides about ten places where deaconesses are stationed, working separately. When this work was begun by our Society nine years ago this autumn we owned no property, and we had to borrow workers. Our Homes now represent \$216,101.79 worth of property, and we have one hundred and eighty-eight deaconesses.

The work of the Deaconess Bureau comprises about one-half the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Most of the expenses are locally met. The administrative work of the Bureau has assumed large proportions. It is conducted, however, on most economical lines, and requires scarcely as much for its support as any one of our separate institutions. We find this work becoming essentially a part of our system. We desire to cherish it, to strengthen it, and in every way to give it the full force of our united sympathies. We call it deaconess work; but it is only one part of the great mission work to which Christ, when he left, called the entire world. When he gave his divine message, "Go ye forth into all the world and preach the gospel unto every creature," he did not fail to add what was so important, "beginning first at Jerusalem," making sure that home duties were not neglected.

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In reporting the work of the National Training-school for the past year, I wish to express my cordial appreciation of the services of Miss Rogers, our preceptress, and of Miss Wilson, our resident teacher. To their faithful and efficient co-operation with me the harmony and success which have attended the year are greatly due. To the non-resident members of the Faculty, who have voluntarily given their time and their abilities to the instruction of the school, the Woman's Home Missionary Society is under a heavy debt of obligation.

At our Commencement services in May last thirteen students were graduated. This was the largest graduating class ever reported in our history. Of this number, seven are deaconesses on probation. They have been assigned to Homes as follows: One each to Jersey City, Cleveland, Wichita, Salt Lake City, Urbana, Chicago, and Des Moines. Of the remainder of the class, four are directly in the service of the Society—one is at Kent Home, one in the Medical Mission in Boston, one is matron of our institution, and one returns to us for nurse-training in Sibley Hospital. Another is doing local mission work under direction of our Board. Twelve therefore of the thirteen are serving the Woman's Home Missionary Society in some form.

The special features of the past year's work which I wish to note are these:

I. The school year has been lengthened by three weeks. It opened October 1st, and will continue until May 31st. This will divide the year

into three terms of nearly equal length, will make the courses of lectures more uniform, and will secure greater thoroughness of instruction, while allowing students more time for recreation and outside mission work.

2. Greater emphasis has been laid upon Bible-readings. They have been woven into the regular work of the classes, and are subject to marking.

3. Industrial work was added to our course of teaching, Mrs. Polkinghorn, of Washington, an experienced teacher, having conducted the sewing-class. Business methods were also taught by Mrs. Spencer, of the Spencerian Business College, who put the appliances of the college at our service.

4. The very important department of Domestic Science and Kitchen-gardening has been inaugurated. Miss Jessie Cathcart, of New York, has been called to take charge of this work. This supplies a very important part of deaconess instruction, the need of which has been long felt.

5. The debt resting upon Sibley Hospital has been canceled, and efficient and economical methods have been adopted, that promise to make the Hospital of greater value to our nurse-deaconesses than ever before. The Hospital is not a local, but a national institution, and justly deserves the partial support of the Society. Miss C. A. Aikens, a regular nurse graduate, has been chosen as director, and has begun her work most acceptably.

6. Our non-resident, as well as resident, Faculty has been enlarged and more thoroughly organized. The curriculum of the school is more comprehensive than ever, and is not excelled by that of any similar institution.

7. A system has been inaugurated by which those whose previous education and present culture will justify it may be enabled to enter our advanced class, and be thus sooner fitted for the work of the Society. This system will, however, be most jealously guarded, that the standard of thoroughness shall be in nowise lowered.

8. Provision has also been made for partial and special courses of study, in order to fit candidates who wish to pursue special lines of work. A short course for superintendents has been planned, and is now being prepared. This system, too, will be carefully watched. It is the purpose of the school to furnish deaconesses and missionaries who shall be symmetrical in their development, and be ready to enter any field in which their services may be needed.

9. There has been a perceptible growth of a school and class spirit. The students are feeling a greater attachment to their Alma Mater, and a stronger interest in its reputation and character.

10. Much practical work has been done. Besides the thousands of visits which the students have made, they have also conducted seven mission kindergartens, three Industrial Schools, two Loyal Temperance Legions, and have aided most of the Churches of the city in Epworth and Junior League work.

The year has been the best and most fruitful in its history. We have been much aided in our work by Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, Field Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, whose wise counsel and varied experience in educational work have been of especial value to us. She has given several important and interesting lectures to the school, and promises to continue her efficient help.

Of the needs of the school, the most pressing is the one which has been felt in the past, but has now become urgent, the necessity for enlarged buildings. One-half of our students are lodged outside our school building. Besides the annex and the Hospital building, which was and is utilized for the accommodation of our nurse students, an additional house



has been rented, and yet these are not sufficient. Hitherto we have maintained the family life by gathering our pupils together at a common table.

The prospects of the school for the coming year are the brightest in our experience. Applications for admission have been more numerous than ever before, and the proportion of those who have previously had good educational advantages is larger. The inducements to enter the deaconess life are not as yet sufficiently great to make too great demands in this direction. But I hope the minds of the more cultivated and educated of our young women are being gradually turned toward this life.

There are over fifty students now in the school, while the day-pupils number twelve.

There are in our land many young women who earnestly desire to be deaconesses and to receive the necessary training, and who give promise of becoming very efficient workers for the Master, but who are not able to provide for their support while in school. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has twenty-five scholarships to meet such cases. We appeal for private contributions to enable us to admit all young women who are eager to devote their lives to Christ and the Church.

Forty students have professed their purpose to be deaconesses, and of this number ten signify their intention to be nurse-deaconesses.

I beg to express my thanks to the General Officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to some of the co-operating Conference Managers of the school, and to our local Board, for their cordial support and aid, and especially to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau for her valuable suggestions, efficient help, and constant interest in all that concerns the welfare of the school, the comfort of its students, or the elevation of its standard.

#### **Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-School.**

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. W. J. ALDRICH, Superintendent.

(Report furnished by the Superintendent.)

The year just closing may truly be called an eventful year in our work. Our Training-school is no longer an experiment, but an established fact. The wisdom of the Board of Managers in opening the Training-school is shown, not only in the success of our initial year, but by the attention drawn toward us, and the commendation of the general public.

Our course of study is the same as in any training-school. Our Faculty are among the best minds in our own and sister Churches, as well as some of the best talent in our medical profession. Four young ladies graduated from Juniors to Seniors with great credit last year.

We have had three licensed deaconesses associated with the Superintendent this year, and three probationers. Miss Schenck began work at Second Street on Easter Sunday, but before one year had passed a more glorious Easter dawned for her. She rests with Christ, whom she loved and served so faithfully.

Miss Bell is still working among the needy of Jackson, Mich., and her report is included with the others of the Home. Miss Cummings has just been transferred to Division Street Church, by invitation of their Official Board.

The new year's Training-school has opened with double last year's attendance. The need of workers is great; our Home is roomy, and we hope it may be filled to overflowing with young life, consecrated to the Master's work.

**Baltimore.**

708 West Lombard Street.

Miss ANNIE LEIDIGH, Superintendent.

The year past has witnessed growth in our work under the wise management of our efficient Board and the earnest labors of our deaconesses, overshadowed by the blessing of our Heavenly Father.

The Home is on a good financial basis, free from debt, and in position to reach out for enlargement of its borders. Improvements have been made in the Home.

A building for deaconess work in connection with a Mission Church was completed and paid for, which cost \$1,200. Besides this, one hundred and fifty dollars was sent to the Bancroft Rest Home for the furnishing of a Baltimore room.

During the year ten workers have been maintained in the Home. There are two flourishing kindergartens, in which one hundred and forty-six little ones were enrolled. These schools are in districts where their influence is greatly needed, one school being entirely composed of Bohemian children, the larger part of whom could not speak a word of English when they first entered the school.

Five sewing-schools, one in the Bohemian district, one for Polish Jews and other foreigners, one composed of colored girls, the other two in congested districts, were each of them centers of Christian influence and moral education.

A Boys' Social Club, made up largely of Hebrew, Irish, and German elements, was an interesting feature of our work. We are looking forward to its enlargement along educational and industrial lines.

A Mothers' Meeting has been conducted, which was a great means of blessing to the neighborhood in which it was established. More than fifty mothers attended, and many testified that it was the one bright spot in the week for them.

Our nurse has been a faithful minister, looking after the physical and spiritual comfort of many sick and suffering ones.

Arrangements are made by the Board of the Female House of Refuge for a deaconess to visit, counsel, and befriend the girls as they come out from under their jurisdiction, thus putting a Christian woman in touch with them at a time when they come under new and often evil influences.

Our deaconesses have the privilege of sending children to the country through the Fresh Air Society. Many little ones are thus given the opportunity to see God's beautiful world outside of city streets, and learn something of wholesome living, such as could never be had in their own homes.

Words of cheer, the prayer offered, and comforting messages from the Word of God, make the deaconess a welcome visitor in the hospital wards. All of our deaconesses engage in this branch of work, and general visiting to a greater or less extent.

We have had lectures given in the Home by city pastors—one each week; subjects—Bible and Church History, Rhetoric and Sociology. Besides this, two of our deaconesses gave weekly talks on Kindergarten Methods and Nursing.

The personal thought in the heart of each worker is service, looking forward to the time when this world will be all for Christ, and doing her little part to bring this about.

**Bancroft Rest Home.**

74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, N. J.

Mrs. ANNA KENT, President of Board.

For a number of years past a series of meetings has been held each season in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at Ocean Grove, N. J. Naturally these meetings called together many of the Home workers, as well as officers of the Society and missionaries from different fields.

The deaconess work having added largely to the number of workers who share in the care and sympathy of the Society, it seemed desirable to open a Home for summer rest at the Grove. Accordingly, in the summer of 1896, Rest Home for Missionaries and Deaconesses was opened in a rented house at Ocean Grove, N. J., largely through the persevering zeal and efforts of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. W. F. Day.

In August, 1897, the Committee in charge called a meeting of interested women, and a Board of Management was organized, a Constitution adopted, and officers elected.

At the close of the season lots and cottages, Nos. 72 and 74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, became the property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A gift of one thousand dollars of the estimated value of this property entitled it to take the name of "Bancroft Rest Home" for Missionaries and Deaconesses. An addition of considerable size has been made to the larger of the cottages, so that there are now available twenty-four bright, airy sleeping-rooms. Friends of the cause have aided the Building Fund by naming rooms at one hundred dollars each, others by furnishing rooms at fifty dollars each. About one-fourth of the needed money has been pledged in this way. The house has been tastefully furnished.

The Home was dedicated on the eighteenth birthday of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In the address by Rev. George Elliott, D. D., he said: "The religious feeling is deeper which offers such a place as this to God, than that which builds a temple."

A statement of the origin of the Home was made by Mrs. Kent.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, National President of the Society, presented the building, and Bishop James N. Fitzgerald read the service and offered the dedicatory prayer.

One hundred and forty guests were entertained this last summer; of these, sixty-four were missionaries and deaconesses, representing twenty-one different fields of labor. Mrs. F. C. Hathaway and Miss Pearce are the efficient and beloved Superintendents.

**Bidwell Deaconess Home.**

1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Ia.

Miss ELIZABETH HUMPHREY, Superintendent.

(Reported by the Secretary.)

The past year has been one of quiet but steady growth. Miss Humphrey, Miss Belding, and Miss Robbins have been our workers throughout the year. Over five thousand four hundred visits have been made, and more than three thousand hours spent in nursing. Visits have been made to hospitals, Aged People's Home, almshouses, and jail. Large numbers of children have been brought into the Mission and Industrial Schools, of whom eighteen have been converted.

The work of the nurse-deaconess was a power for good in gaining

access to homes that could not otherwise be reached. The house-to-house visitation has also resulted in many conversions through the prayerful efforts of the workers.

A sewing-school kitchengarden and Boys' Club in South Des Moines has been wonderfully successful, under the control of Miss Humphrey. A similar work will be started this month in the largest Methodist Episcopal Church in the city, under the direction of the deaconesses, the Church furnishing the money to carry it on. It would be impossible to enumerate all that is being done by these consecrated women.

Besides the city work, a deaconess has, in response to calls, visited thirteen towns in the State, assisted in revivals, and representing the work.

Various additions to the furnishings of the Home have been made this year, making it more homelike and comfortable. The first probationer was received this summer, and, having successfully passed her three months' trial, has gone to the Training-school at Washington, D. C. Miss Robbins, nurse-deaconess, resigned August 31st, to become the wife of a Methodist minister. We greatly regret her loss to the work. Miss Wetherbee, a graduate from the Washington Training-school, came to us in July, so we still have three efficient workers. At the Annual Meeting of the Deaconess Association on September 29th, the Constitution was amended, so as to make the pastors of the Methodist Episcopal Churches of the city members of the Board of Managers, thus giving them more direct interest in the work.

We start out in the new year's work, believing that with God's blessing it will be the most successful we have ever had.

### **Brooklyn.**

238 President Street.

DR. W. W. CLARK, Superintendent.

Our year has been marked by harmony in all our councils, and prosperity in all our work. Our deaconesses and probationers now number one dozen. They do their work chiefly in connection with our city Churches, gathering children into the Sunday-school and strangers into the congregation. Enough children have been added to our schools during the past year to form two or three new schools of average size. We find this kind of work more fruitful and more permanent in its results than conducting separate missions. We have children's classes or Junior Leagues, Mothers' Meetings, and in some cases Industrial Schools, organized in most of the Churches, to which our deaconesses are assigned.

The most noteworthy incident in our history during the year has been the gift of \$10,000 by Mr. George Barlow, of this city, to be used as an Endowment Fund. The generous donor has since gone to his reward. His works will follow him.

### **Buffalo.**

2978 Main Street.

Miss E. S. SMITH, Superintendent.

The Buffalo Deaconess Home is able to report a year of satisfactory results. No new lines of work have been opened, but those already established have been faithfully conducted by the deaconesses. The interest in the Home is extending throughout the Conference, and pastors and Churches are becoming our friends as never before. There are plans to open in the near future—a kitchengarden and cooking-school in connection with our Cheerful Home Settlement. Again have we enriched another Home, and made ourselves poorer by sending our Miss Lydia

Beal to aid in opening the work in Wichita, Kansas. We feel not a little gratification that we have been able to advance the work in many places by sharing our workers with others. Quite extensive improvements have been made in the Home, not the least of which is the putting in of a fine furnace.

We have not altogether left the days of anxiety behind, but we see by faith the One who cares for His own, and in Him we are strengthened, knowing that we shall reap in due season if we faint not.

### Cleveland.

268 Woodland Avenue.

Miss E. A. McILLMOYL, Superintendent.

(This report was furnished by Miss McIllmoyl, Superintendent of the Home.)

Again we approach the closing year, and as we review the past we thank God, and take courage. There have been given and received by the Home 15,187 calls; 22,771 papers and tracts have been distributed. Situations have been procured for 46 people, and temporary work for 125. Hospitals have been visited 138 times; 124 Children's Meetings have been held, and 259 evangelistic meetings. Many funerals have been conducted; our Mission services have been kept up with unflagging interest. In the class organized, there are twelve full members and twenty-five probationers. Sixteen members of the Sunday-school have professed conversion, and thirty-six children and eight adults have been baptized. The Sunday-school has an enrollment of 125 scholars, and has contributed fifteen dollars to the support of a famine orphan in India. We have cared for 134 sick people, spending 7,538 hours in nursing, loaned 221 articles to the sick, and assisted in 16 surgical operations. Among outside patients, the following nationalities are represented: German, Bohemian, Hungarian, Welsh, Russian, Scotch, Canadian, English, and American; and the following religious creeds: Episcopal, Jewish, Congregational, Roman Catholic, Methodist Episcopal, Lutheran, Evangelical. During the year we have taken up Travelers' Aid work at the Union Depot. This is carried on in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. This work has been full of interest from the very first, and its helpfulness freely acknowledged by those who have shared its benefits. Much interest has been manifested in our Home by those who have met our deaconesses at the depot.

Our Endowment Fund has been increased this year, until now it is almost three thousand dollars.

### Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.

Urbana, Ill.

This beneficent institution has passed a successful year. Thirty-eight children have been sheltered, and eight have been given permanent homes. An Episcopalian lady, Miss Hannah Johnson, left a bequest to the Home, five thousand one hundred dollars of which has been paid into the treasury. Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff have been faithful in their departments of service. Miss Ganiere, the kindergartner, was greatly attached to the children of her kindergarten, and did excellent service. She is now transferred to the Baltimore Home, and Miss Matilda Reeves, a graduate of the Training-school, is now the kindergartner of the Home. Mrs. Georgiana Clark and a Miss Mary Crawford are the deaconesses of the Conference, working with the ministers, and at the same time contributing to the upbuilding of the institution. The Home has found a warm place in the hearts of the people of the Conference.

**Detroit.**

53 Elizabeth Street West.

Miss LUCRETIA GADDIS, Superintendent.

(The following report was furnished by Miss Gaddis, Superintendent of the Home.)

In the good providence of God another year has passed in the history of this Home. Health, strength, and the privilege to minister to others has been granted to our members, bringing much of joy and blessing into our lives, and more opportunities to endure hardness for Christ's sake.

We are greatly indebted to our many friends for the help and sympathy they have given us, which has made our service possible.

First of all, to the Board, who have been our faithful friends and counselors, giving their time, patience, and money to us without stint, and also, we believe, their prayers.

Then the Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries have been our staunch friends and supporters, ready to help in every possible way. Our pastors have furnished us with an exceedingly interesting course of lectures and studies, and have been our constant helpers and advisers. Our larder has been kept filled with good fruit and jellies, and vegetables in abundance have come to us, so that we could give to the needy.

The only other regular teacher in the Home besides those mentioned, has been our faithful Miss Mary E. Preston, who so long has taught the Sunday-school lesson on Friday morning.

We have had as devoted and consecrated a set of women connected with this sisterhood as can be found anywhere. It has been a great pleasure to be associated with them in the Lord's work. There have been twelve deaconesses and probationers with us this year. Seven of these are licensed deaconesses, four are probationers, and one an associate member.

Miss Hartwell, who had so long been one of our number, has severed her connection with us, being now the Superintendent of the Florence Crittenden Mission. Miss Johnson, who has carried blessing to many homes, also felt obliged to leave in January.

Our field has been a large one, including all of the city of Detroit, and branching out through the Detroit Conference, and taking in one Conference in Iowa.

Our visitors have made many canvassing calls to find people not attending Church, and have also made hundreds of religious calls on the poor, sick, and troubled; have gone to the hospitals, County House, Poor Commission, and Home of the Friendless to find help for the troubled and destitute, and have even been to the Police Court in the interest of law and order.

Many special cases have been looked into and assisted; work that can not be computed, but that requires time and labor.

We have also kept an Intelligence Bureau, where people come and unburden all sorts of sorrows to us. We give them not only solace, but help them to find work.

A number of homes for children have been found. Besides all this, much of the housework and homekeeping must be done by the deaconesses. Mrs. Kellar still continues to superintend the Tillman Avenue Mission, and accomplishes wonders in her end of the town.

**Denver.**

1735 Logan Avenue.

Miss MELISSA BRIGGS, Superintendent.

(Report of Deaconess Work from October 9, 1897, to August 21, 1898, as furnished by Miss Briggs, the Superintendent.)

For several years the Conference Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Colorado Conference, were thinking and praying over opening up deaconess work in the Conference. I left the Salt Lake City Home for Denver the 9th of October, making my home at the Haymarket Haven until a Home could be established. The first three months was spent at Briggs Mission, helping to build up the Sunday-school, organizing the women and children for work, getting the sewing-school started, and securing workers to carry it on.

When, after earnest prayer for guidance, the Board decided to rent a house for a Home and send for other workers, there was only six dollars in the Deaconess Fund, and no one knew where the money was coming from; but we felt the Lord said to us, "Go forward," and we started out in faith, believing that if we gave ourselves fully to the work he would not fail us, and he has not. A seven-room cottage was secured the 1st of March, at twenty dollars per month. An appeal was made for furnishing, which was so well responded to by both Churches and individuals, that the house was soon comfortably furnished, with only \$33.17 spent by the Board. The City Cabinet of the Epworth League, desiring to make their headquarters at the Deaconess Home, furnished the front room and pay half the rent. Miss James, Miss Rich, a deaconess from the San Francisco Home, and Miss Wood, came to our aid as workers.

We have made 2,347 special calls, 168 calls on the sick, 1,164 calls from house to house, and 60 business calls. We believe through the calling and personal interest in the people the most effective work is being done, and the most definite results are being obtained. Disaffected members and absentees have been looked after, and some have been warmed and strengthened in their Christian experience and life; strangers invited to services, introduced and made to feel at home when they came; children gotten into the Sunday-schools, Junior Leagues, and sewing-schools. The poor and sick have been helped and cared for. Peace has been made in homes of discord, and in every way possible we have tried to help people physically and spiritually. Two hundred and sixty-nine hours have been spent in nursing the sick, and forty-six hours in special service. Six Bibles and 1,445 religious papers and tracts, and 358 garments have been distributed. Eight tons of coal have been given, in most cases at least, to very worthy people, who are not accustomed to receive charity, and would not have applied to the county, though in great need. We secured the coal through the Coal Guild.

The Home has an Advisory Board, consisting of two persons from each district. Denver District has one gentleman from each of the Churches. Their counsel and help have been most valuable to the work. So far the Denver Churches have taken turns in furnishing supplies for the table, each Church, or the poorer Churches two together, supplying for a month.

Since the Home opened, the supplies have amounted to about sixty-five dollars. There are now five of us in the Home, four deaconesses and Alice May, an Apache Indian girl, sent to us from Teller Institute, at Grand Junction, Colorado, where she graduated.

The Board has decided to accept a deaconess from the African Methodist Episcopal Church, as soon as a proper candidate can be found.

The Greeley District Epworth League have pledged their hearty indorsement and co-operation, and we believe many friends have been won to the work.

We begin the work of another year, thanking God for what has been accomplished, and trusting that in the near future the Lord will touch the heart of some one to give a building for the Home, and we shall be able to have more workers.

We are arranging to send a deaconess through the Conference to represent the work and collect funds, and also to assist pastors whenever there is a call for their services. In this way we believe greater interest will be awakened, and the influence of the work felt throughout the Conference.

#### **Glens Falls, N. Y.**

Miss Mary J. Jones, formerly a deaconess of the Syracuse Home, entered on work at Glens Falls, April 5th, in connection with the Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. She reports 1,379 calls made, work done among the sick and aged in connection with the usual duties of pastor's assistant to the Glens Falls Church.

#### **Indianapolis.**

Miss Cartes K. Schwartz, the founder of deaconess work at Mt. Carmel, entered in the month of October on service in Indianapolis, being the first deaconess also in this new field. We call the attention of our Indiana friends to the importance of this work. The ministers of the Indiana Conference, represented by a Special Committee, have unanimously passed resolutions indorsing the deaconess work in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This is a great opportunity for the heroic women of Methodism in connection with the Conference of Indiana. We trust that during the coming year they will co-operate royally and loyally, to the end that we shall soon see a Deaconess Home and Hospital started in this city, in connection with Indiana Methodism.

#### **Knoxville.**

517 Henly Street.

Miss RHODA E. SIGLER, Superintendent.

Our faithful deaconess, Sister Rhoda, gives ever a joyful report of service. She says: "It is a wonderful privilege to help in extending the Redeemer's kingdom among men from the river to the ends of the earth. This is our work, our mission. As the children of God, we must be about our Father's business. There is no place where the needs are so great and the laborers so few, as in the cities and villages and the rural districts of our beautiful Southland. It is a most inviting field."

The statistics of the work show her to have been "abundant in labors."

#### **Los Angeles and Pasadena.**

1113 South Hill Street, Los Angeles.

There have been five deaconesses employed in the Conference during the year. The beloved Superintendent, Miss Winifred Spaulding, who has been identified with the Home from its inception, was obliged to resign on account of ill-health, as was also Miss Day. Miss Haeberlin, a recent graduate of the San Francisco Training-school, has recently entered the Home, and Miss Bisbee, from the same school, has been assigned to Pasadena, First Church, making five deaconesses now at



work in the Conference. The manager of the National Training-school says of the deaconesses: "A noble band they are. We could give work for a dozen or more right here in our city."

### Jersey City, N. J.

#### Newark Conference Deaconess Home.

201 Montgomery Street.

Mrs. GEORGINA CLARK, Deaconess.

A pastor has said that "the Deaconess Home in Jersey City has been decidedly Methodist during its first year of existence, as it has been an itinerant Home." It moved from an apartment of four rooms to another of six rooms, and is now settled in a twelve-room house, with a family of four deaconesses and a matron.

The Newark Conference Deaconess Home in Jersey City was opened in four rooms, at No. 296 Barrow Street, third floor, on November 5, 1897. On December 9th it was moved to No. 301 Montgomery Street, first floor, five rooms. On May 17th, six months after its dedication, it entered the frame building of fourteen rooms, at 201 Montgomery Street, where the sign above its entrance door, "Deaconess Home," is in startling contrast to some of the other signs over the stores on the same block, where there are four saloons.

There are at present only four deaconesses in the Home,—Mrs. Cole, Miss Lewis, and Miss Clemson, and also a housekeeper.

I am tempted at this time to leave the report to make an appeal for workers. Calls are coming in to us for deaconesses, and Professor Bancroft, our Field Secretary, says: "If I had seventy-five deaconesses, I could put them in active service at once." Will you remember one of our Lord's last commands, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more laborers into the field."

Besides the work connected directly with the Home, which I will mention later, the deaconesses have been under the pastors of the following Churches: East Orange, Calvary; Paterson, Market Street. Boonton, St. Paul, J. C.; Centenary, J. C.; Hedding, J. C.; Simpson, J. C.; Trinity, J. C.

A Recognition Meeting was held on March 10th, at the Hedding Church, Jersey City, where the people of Jersey City were invited to meet the deaconesses who had come to be one with them in the work. Many were present from other parts of the Conference.

On April 4th, in Calvary Church, East Orange, at the Anniversary services of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, three of the deaconesses were consecrated by Bishop Goodsell, assisted by several of the pastors. To many this service of consecration was the most impressive of the Conference.

During the summer our deaconesses were invited to a vacation in Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove, the expenses being met by one of our Auxiliaries and private contribution.

We believe that the introduction of this line of work in our Conference has been the means of increasing the membership, as well as the amount of money given in the Newark Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Home is supported by funds from various sources. Half of the dues of the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Auxiliaries in Jersey City is given to the Home. Pledges from Auxiliaries and individuals pay the rent and running expenses of the Home.

The table has been supplied by Thursday Baskets, containing provisions and cash from all over the Conference.

### **Mt. Carmel.**

Miss ELIZABETH LARRISH.

The second year of work in Mt. Carmel was marked by advancement. The longed-for mission was opened, and the meetings well attended by the class of people for whom they were designed. The Sunday-school has quite outgrown the room, those coming being children who did not attend any other Sunday-school. Girls who are rapidly learning to be useful fill the Industrial School, while the Thursday evening prayer-meetings are much appreciated. Now that work in the mines is more abundant, there is not so much suffering among the people. Two little girls have been rescued from lives of sin and suffering, having been sent to the Watts de Peyster Home; while another dear child, afflicted with a painful disease, was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Miss Swartz has now gone to Indianapolis, and her place been filled by Miss Larrish. We trust this work in the mining region of Pennsylvania will develop into a great mission.

### **Philadelphia.**

611 Vine Street.

Mrs. E. TURNEY, Superintendent.

Early in the past year steps were taken to largely increase the support of the Home, by the formation of a Bureau of Deaconess Work in connection with the Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has had the management of the Deaconess Home and its work, subject to the approval of the Conference Society, thereby inducing many women belonging to Churches not having any organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to enlist in this service. This plan has proven to be a help to the Home, and a means of bringing about the organization of a number of Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries.

The successful opening of the Annex to the Home was a large factor uniting this force of women for the future support of the Home. That it is of benefit to other departments of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was instanced when an appeal for the enlargement of the National Training-school for Missionaries and Deaconesses was made to this Deaconess Bureau. Over two hundred dollars were quickly pledged; and on another occasion one hundred and fifty dollars were pledged for Bancroft Rest Home for Missionaries and Deaconesses.

The Home and Annex, both the generous gift of our lamented friend and benefactor, Colonel Joseph M. Bennett, have been greatly enlarged and beautified during the past year. The enlargement and remodeling of the Annex was an added instance of Colonel Bennett's beneficence, the entire property representing a value of about \$25,000.

The Annex was formally opened and dedicated on March 31, 1898, with suitable exercises, and was a happy occasion for all friends of the work. Its fine equipment, consisting of dining-room and serving-room, kitchen, laundry, reception-room and bed-rooms for boarders, mission-room and library, and separate room and special equipment for cooking-school, was furnished at a cost of about \$1,400, giving opportunity to a number of Churches to name memorial rooms.

The year has been a prosperous one; the eight deaconesses have been tireless in their endeavors to achieve results that will count in the final record on high. They have held meetings for mothers, for boys and girls, and for young women, also classes for sewing and cooking.

The lunch-room and boarding department, with increased facilities found in the Annex, is already on a self-supporting basis. Twenty-seven

thousand and ninety-seven luncheons were served, at an average charge of less than nine cents each. And an attractive Home for about ten self-supporting young girls.

A library and reading-room is arranged for the benefit of all that come.

The trained nurse-deaconess is in constant demand. The visiting deaconesses have been ever busy ministering faithfully in connection with mission Churches and schools, as well as assisting pastors who have large and important Churches.

"The Fresh Air Work," as conducted by the deaconesses, is second only to the work of the "Country Week Association" in its blessed work during the midsummer days.

The immigrant work of the Conference has been most successfully performed by those wearing the "white ties."

Recently as our deaconess was distributing the Word among the passengers, she approached a stylishly-dressed young gentleman, and timidly asked him if he would accept and read this Bible. Taking a much-worn copy from his pocket, he said: "Three years ago, when I landed at this station, I accepted one of your little books. I am very glad to tell you that I read it, and that it has become the guide of my life, and that to-day I am trying to follow its commands." You will never know how many lives have been influenced through this method of sowing the seed.

Several deaconesses have responded to the call of pastors from various towns of the Conference for assistance in evangelistic services, in almost all cases awakening an interest in the Home and its work, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society as well.

Two deaconesses have co-operated with the City Missionary and Church Extension Society of the Conference most efficiently. Another has just commenced work in connection with the Italian Mission of the Conference, under the care of the General Missionary Society.

The Home has been conducted at an outlay of less than three thousand dollars per year. "Donation-day," two days before "Thanksgiving-day," is an annual occurrence, when valuable supplies and cash are contributed and a supper served to visitors, the proceeds of which are added to the fund for deaconess work.

### **Pittsburg.**

2000 Fifth Avenue.

Miss S. E. TYLER, Superintendent.

As we review the work of the past year, we are glad to report progress along all lines of the work. With the kindly assistance of some of our friends, who supplied us with funds, we were enabled to relieve the wants of many needy families during the winter, and with the financial help of a Young Ladies' Missionary Society, we sent a number of poor children to the country during the warm weather.

Our nurses have been constantly engaged in caring for the destitute sick, and so great is the demand for such work, that a number of cases had to be refused because of the lack of nurses.

The work of our colored mission Sabbath-school, with an enrollment of 175 scholars, is moving steadily forward.

The Travelers' Aid work, which was begun July, 1897, has been very successful. This line of work affords many opportunities for doing good, and is greatly appreciated by those who are aided.

It is to be noted that the union between the Pittsburg Deaconess Home and the Woman's Home Missionary Conference Society is pecu-

liarily close. The Society is incorporated, and owns the property, which now is nearly, if not quite, free of debt.

The courage of the faithful women who purchased the Home on faith, and by their own heroic efforts have paid for it since 1892, should stimulate our women in other places to like holy courage.

### San Francisco.

#### Bible Training-School and Deaconess Home.

618 Haight Street.

Mrs. H. IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

During the year four deaconesses, including Mrs. Benson, the Superintendent, and sixteen students have been connected with the Home, making twenty in the family, besides Mrs. Carver, who, since Mrs. Benson's illness, has taken her place as acting Superintendent; Miss Lake, who works entirely in the interests of the Chinese, and lives at the Chinese Mission; also one student, who has been in the McLean Hospital during the year, in training for a nurse-deaconess; and Miss Rich, whom we permitted to go to the Denver Home last March.

Eight of the students received scholarships, and one a half scholarship. Three graduated from the school this year, Miss Haeberlein, Miss Morrison, and Miss Hanberg, two of whom were consecrated at our Colorado Conference by Bishop Hurst.

One student, who had taken more than one year of the course of study, concluded, on account of her many outside duties, not to become a deaconess, but still this year teach in the school.

Our generous friend, who last year placed eight hundred dollars at our disposal for scholarships, has this year placed the same amount in bank for us to draw from for the same purpose. The Board fully appreciates this gift. One of our last year's graduates, who had received her training on a scholarship, this year generously returned the two hundred dollars to our Board.

In March, Mrs. Benson, our faithful and beloved Superintendent, who had not been in good health for some time, was obliged to go into a hospital, and undergo a serious operation. Since that time she has not been able to return to her work in the Home. By the advice of her physician she has been granted a leave of absence, and has gone East, to be among friends.

Dr. Beard, our dean, has been at the head of the Training-school during the past year. He has planned the course of study has attended to procuring the lecturers, and all the details connected with the work of the school. He has also rendered the ladies valuable assistance, by his advice and cheerful co-operation.

As the work has grown and our numbers increased, we have found our house fully inadequate for the accommodation of the students and family, and have recently moved into more commodious quarters at 618 Haight Street, where we have more rooms, and where we are more accessible to most of the Methodist Episcopal Churches.

Last October the Settlement at Sixth Street was discontinued, on account of the changed condition of the neighborhood. The sewing-school, which had been carried on there, was removed to Central Church, and under the care of Mrs. Spring grew to wonderful proportions, having from 125 to 150 names enrolled upon her books. We also have another sewing-school at Howard Street Church, which is doing well. The Women's Club, which was started at the Settlement, still continues at Howard Street Church.

The family at the Deaconess Home were not forgotten at the holiday season, and at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New-Year's received generous and substantial contributions for the table and for the poor. In November 172 pieces—new garments—were received from the Needlework Guild, which was a great help to us in the way of bed-linen and gifts for the poor.

We ask your prayers that God will bless our San Francisco Deaconess Home and Bible and Training-school.

### Shamokin.

Miss LEONE BARTOLET, Deaconess.

The work at Shamokin has been closely connected with the Church of Rev. T. W. Wilcox. While connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the expense of the deaconess has been largely met by this Church. During all the time for which this report calls, Miss Bartolet has continued her usual labors, ministering to the spiritual and temporal needs of rich and poor alike. In December, 1898, Miss Bartolet was married, and changed her home to New York City, where she is followed by the cordial good wishes of the many friends whom she made in her Christian work at Shamokin.

### Salt Lake City.

Davis Deaconess Home.

41 East Third South Street.

Miss M. E. SPENCE, Superintendent.

(Reported by the Superintendent.)

The record of the past year shows many changes. Early in October our faithful worker, Miss Briggs, was called to plant a new Home in Denver. Her field has become fallow ground, waiting for some one to water and tend what so faithfully she had sown. In the closing hours of the old year, the Superintendent, the mother of the Home, was called away by the death of a loved one, leaving only two to carry the burdens for many weeks; then as spring opened another was called away; so for the last half of the year there have been but two in the Home. There is an imperative need of workers at Salt Lake.

Our Chinese school has not abated in interest or numbers. Many improvements have been made in their room, their attendance is faithful, and with some one to give greater attention to their needs, they would make great progress. A beautiful flag, which on national days floats over our Home, came in January from the Auxiliary in Oakland, California. We now number four, and hope the coming year to do better work, and at its close to show greater results.

The report of special deaconess work at separate stations in Utah, as at Provo, Logan, and Mt. Pleasant, will be found in the report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, Mrs. B. S. Potter.

### Wichita.

In September of 1898, Miss Lydia Beal, from the Buffalo Home, and Miss Hicks, a graduate of the last class at Washington, began work in this city. A Home was opened in a modest way, and at once the people received gladly the ministrations of these workers. The promise is good for a year of large results.

# Annual Report to October 1, 1898.

ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Aldrich Memo- Fia.....	Baltimore.....	Brooklyn.....	Buffalo.....	Cleveland.....	Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.	Detroit.....	Des Moines.....	Denver.....	Newark Confer- ence Deacon- ess Home.....	Knoxville.....
Value of property, . . . . .	\$15,000	\$11,600	\$37,000	\$14,000	\$11,200	\$22,446 22	\$10,800	\$5,000	\$2,700	\$400	\$200
Incumbrance, . . . . .				\$3,000			\$5,000	\$875			
Number of deaconesses and Probationers, . . . . .	9	10	12	12	13	2	10	3	6	5	1
Number of visits made, . . . .	872	7987	12340	5692	3407	1168	5860	4254	3571	4681	1654
Number of visits to hos- pitals, jails, etc., . . . . .	15	647	420	179	37		425	15	168		484
Opportunities for Bible reading and prayer, . . . . .	155	2674		821	118	170	1325	811	547	541	300
Meetings held or assisted in, Hours spent in kindergar- ten, . . . . .	27	233	475	511	163	90	540	132	531	201	76
Hours spent in industrial school, . . . . .		1700		338				125		48	
Hours spent in nursing, . . . .	30	373		336			9846	80		73	
Bibles, Testaments, and tracts given away, . . . . .	539 1/2	3220		1679	1346			2777	269		
Cash expended for the poor, Garments given away, . . . .	365	15098	4492	6666	5422	334	11588	1680	1451		4868
Pastors and Churches aided, Yearly expenses, . . . . .	\$16 31	\$189 20	\$149 96		\$6 57		\$77 00		\$173 85		\$61 07
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ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Mt. Pleasant.....	Los Angeles and Pasadena	Mt. Carmel.....	Bancroft Rest Home.....	Provo.....	Philadelphia.....	Pittsburg.....	Shamokin.....	Salt Lake City.....	San Francisco	Sibley Memorial Hospital.....	Washington.....	Wichita.....	Glens Falls, N. Y.....
Value of property, . . . . .		\$300		\$10,838	\$1,000	\$25,761 57	\$13,500		\$5,000	\$1,500	11,000	\$41,464	300	
Incumbrance, . . . . .				\$6,975								\$8,000		
Number of deaconesses and probationers, . . . . .	1	3	1			8	8	1	3	23		53	2	1
Number of visits made, . . . .	1209	10506	916			7500	8628		2682	10206		4073		1379
Number of visits to hos- pitals, jails, etc., . . . . .		20	5			161	1412		41	222				
Opportunities for Bible reading and prayer, . . . . .	317	233	317			950	950		351	431		402		132
Meet'gs held or asst'd in Hours spent in kindergar- ten, . . . . .	714	1154	714			353	286		46	108		249		
Hours spent in industrial school, . . . . .	332	45	332				650		187			678		
Hours spent in nursing, Bibles, Testaments, and tracts given away, . . . . .	14	45				264	480		48	667				
Cash expended for poor, Garments given away, . . . .	63	397	4			2721	4731		447	477		285		
Pastors and Chur's aided Yearly expenses, . . . . .	1605	952	1605			4800	5363		1123	1813		1586		502
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"Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

With thanks to Him for His guiding care, this report is submitted.

JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

AMELIA D. MINARD, *Assistant Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR ORIENTALS.

A CONDITION exists upon our farthest western shores to be found nowhere else upon this continent. Some of us remember when, in 1864, the shackles fell from slaves in this country—black men, black women, black children, were the victims of an accursed system. This was almost a generation ago; but to-day women and children, girls and boys, are bought and sold; not always vile women, but innocent children, often sold for debt.

Tuen Tson Hsi, Empress Dowager of China, was in no wise born to greatness; when a rebel uprising burned her father's hut and ravaged his plot of land; when Buddha seemed to have grown deaf to prayers, and there was no rice to keep the family from hunger, she it was who suggested to her father to sell her. This old custom of China has been transplanted to our China in America. But few, however, share the interesting fate of the new Empress of China.

Here innocent Chinese children are sold into domestic slavery, where they are the veriest drudges for small-footed women. They are sent on errands to vile places, and carry burdens upon their backs, babies or children as large as themselves. But this is not the worst. They are transferred from one master to another, and finally land in places entirely unfit for innocent childhood.

In rescuing little girls, we do our greatest work for the future. Boys, too, are bought and sold, and there are no places to send them when they are taken from low resorts. A secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Vice was discussing the fate of such, and I said, "Why not send them to a certain place?" mentioning it. "Why, madam," he said, "you would n't put them with other boys!" As though Mongolian vice was any worse than Caucasian!

For many years a few missionaries have carried the gospel to women, some of whom never go out of the place they call home from the time they land in San Francisco till they are borne to the grave; wives of merchants, small-footed women, who would never hear the gospel did they not have it taken to them. Five hundred idol-worshipping families could have the Word of God, if all had the spirit of the widow who gave her mite.

Fifteen years ago there was hardly to be seen a Chinese child in America. To-day there are two thousand in San Francisco. Little urchins in yellow blouses, born under the Stars and Stripes, laugh at Congressional legislation and close-barred gates. The Supreme Court of the United States has recently declared that all boys born in the United States are citizens, and voters when of age. Shall such have a Christian or pagan citizenship? The latter might imperil our institutions.

India, China, and Japan must have their schools; but it is no less important that *we* push our educational work among these people on our own shores. For the past year we have had twenty girls in the Home, ten at work in families, eight sent back to China. This year the United States Government has directed an investigation into the abominable traffic in women, with a view to legislative dealing with the evil.

In the years of our work in San Francisco over four hundred women have been rescued. One hundred of these have been redeemed with the precious blood of Christ, and entered into the blessed liberty of God's children. The number converted seems small; but when you remember how Christian America has treated these people, you can not wonder they do not readily accept our gospel. Occasionally a Christian teaches them; but the majority stones them, figuratively and literally. At America's in-

visitation they came to be "hewers of wood and drawers of water." They have never, like other foreigners, aspired to make our laws or run our institutions. They are "the strangers within our gates"—our Golden Gates, so called. Years ago, these people, with their hair braided down their backs, were a feature of a brilliant street procession upon the completion of the Pacific Railroad. And Oliver Wendell Holmes apostrophized these Gates in these words:

"Open *wide*, ye Gates of Gold,  
To the Dragon's banner fold!"

But now that the Government has closed these gates, shall we refuse to give those that are left the best of our civilization?

We have for years had a school. This year there are thirty pupils, about half of whom are from families outside of our Mission; some from Christian homes, some from idol-worshipping ones. We have had some good results from these latter pupils. In the morning hours they are taught in their own language, and in the afternoons in English. Some of these go back to their homes, and tell what they have been taught in the mission school, and some morning the little boy or girl refuses to bow the knee to the hideous gods; they have learned a better way. The mother ponders over this, and finally she comes to the chapel to hear the gospel story. And thus, one by one, we shall bring them in!

The matron this year has had thirty-seven girls for a longer or shorter period. Last week the Government sent eleven to us for protection, pending trials in court. They had been sent to Omaha to the Exposition, under promise they should be returned to China at expiration of the Fair. Instead, they were brought to San Francisco. The doors at the Home have had to be bolted, and great care taken lest these slave girls escape. Policemen guard the building, and vile men and women watch a chance to bribe or coax them to run off.

House-to-house visitation is still carried on by a faithful missionary deaconess and her interpreter. Together they climb rickety stairs, dark and winding, going up and down the alleys of Chinatown. They grope their way, and enter small, ill-ventilated, sunless, and often windowless, rooms, where women sew day after day for the merest pittance. Sometimes these patient women hear the gospel story with stolid indifference; no sound escapes their lips, no look betrays their feelings. A few bright flowers, given to a sick child, betrays a ray of sunshine penetrating the heart, and she smiles; otherwise the missionary has little to encourage her, and yet she continues, day after day, hoping to carry light, hope, and life, where there is desolation and despair.

The Sunday-school, last year held in squalor and want, has now better quarters. In the new hall thirty children and often sixty adults gather every Sunday afternoon to hear the old, old story. The interpreter, Oi Yoki, is a very gifted woman, and explains the gospel with wonderful effect. The grown-up people listen with amazement to this woman's eloquence. This woman, a few years ago, was a poor slave girl.

There has been a new field opened to us in our beautiful Sacramento City. Other denominations have withdrawn their work mostly. There are nine hundred Chinese, among them fourteen families. The missionary has on her visiting-list five bound-footed women, one of whom has lived under ground for six years, has never since these years of isolation seen the light of day. Another has never been out of the place she calls home for four years. In Sacramento there are about twenty children, and we are contemplating a school for them, at a cost of only ten dollars per month. Shall we do it?



### Chinese Work in Southern California.

Reported by MRS. T. F. DAVIS.

Ten months have slipped away so rapidly since we began our work again in Chinatown, Los Angeles. House-to-house visitation does not convey to the mind a realizing sense of all that is involved in the work we are in His name endeavoring to do. When we speak of a call to a Chinese home, very much more is meant. With us every home must become a separate and distinct congregation, while the story of the true God (so strange to them), the creation of the world, and of Jesus the Savior of the world, is told as simply as possible. We read to them from the New Testament in the Cantonese colloquial; from "Bible Stories," translated by Miss French; from "Sweet Story of the Cross;" from "Peep of Day," and others, all in Cantonese colloquial. These books are very simple to us who were born in a Christian land, but they are not so to a Chinese woman, and they can not comprehend them by one visit, or two. Twenty-five or thirty women, or, I think, all the women in Chinatown who are not slaves (this does not include the few who are professing Christians and members of other Churches), have received more or less instruction.

Two of these dear women were converted a few months ago; one, the mother of four children, tells me that the little girls of three and four years old will not eat anything till they have thanked God for it. These two families are soon to return to China. May our prayers go with them! We long for Mrs. Lau Yui to return from San Francisco, where she is preparing to teach God's Word. We feel that she is a chosen vessel, chosen by God from among these women a little more than two years ago; chosen, we believe, to carry the gospel not only to the women of Los Angeles, but in all Southern California.

What can be said about the inmates of the brothels, poor creatures? *Slaves* they are in the worst sense of the word. Her every movement is controlled by her tyrannical keeper or slave-dealer. She has no will of her own; she is not her own, for she has been bought for two or three thousand dollars. A baby, a week old, from one of these brothels, was sold a few months ago for a hundred and fifty dollars.

Thank God that a few have escaped this past year! One is now just about landed in China, where she will be cared for by missionaries until her mother calls for her.

Pray for us.

### Japanese Work.

Another part of our work is the work among the little brown women. Japan, with its thirty millions, could send over the ocean a few of these people, only about five thousand, two hundred of whom are women in San Francisco. These are brought here, many of them, under false pretenses, like their sisters from China. Our missionary (Japanese) goes to the steamers as they come in from the Orient, and very often they need her. She takes them to the Home. This year ninety girls and women have been helped in various ways. Eleven have been converted. The only Japanese Church in America is in San Francisco, built by Methodists, mostly Japanese. Our Oriental Bureau has full charge of the women's work among these people.

I plead to-night for our Japanese sisters in our newest possessions—seven thousand women in the Hawaiian Islands, seven hundred of whom are in Honolulu, and hundreds of children. These Japanese are there to stay. They must be Americanized, Christianized, and made a part of us.

There is now an imperative demand for more work in *home* fields. We upon our western shores are no longer upon the rim of the continent. We face the Pacific Ocean, but beyond lies our new possessions, twenty-two thousand Chinese in Hawaii; and still farther on, in prospective possessions, other thousands, to whom we must send the gospel we preach. In Honolulu the Chinese are alarmed at the annexation, and say, "It will be a bad thing for us, when we have courts, juries, and police as corrupt as you have in the United States."

Last April in *Children's Home Missions* I saw the story of Ah Hay. I well remember when she, a poor sick girl, was brought into our mission. Sold in China, brought to San Francisco to find herself a slave, sick in body and distressed in mind, she came or was brought to us. She could speak no word of English. The girls in the house talked to her of Jesus and his love, and she *began* to trust; but when she knew she was to die, pitifully she told the girls at her bedside, "I am afraid the door of heaven will be shut." But one day her face grew bright, and she cried, "I see the way, the door is open," and she passed through. How different this scene from that of the deathbed of the heathen woman a block away, with candles, incense, chantings, tom-toms, and burnt paper used to drive away the devil!

Dear friends of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, let us strive to do our greatest work in these last years of the nineteenth century, seventy-five thousand women banded together! Let us get the ear of Methodist women! Away from pressing work, let us look at the sure promise: "I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR MISSION SUPPLIES.

HOW GRATEFULLY we come with our record this year! New life and cheer to the sick and discouraged it has been ours to give. Listen! You would feel more than repaid if you could hear the frequent "God bless those women," writes an elder. Then he tells of this aged couple, the best of whose lives has been given to frontier work; that brother, whose wife is so ill; this one, with large family and small salary. "We could not do without your Society. You do not know what these barrels mean to us." Earnest, careful women, who have this work on their hearts, make possible these happier homes. To the home of the sick minister a monthly gift of money has come, to buy nourishing food and make the one fighting chance for life. If all we hoped may not be realized, hearts that were near breaking have been soothed, life made easier for the sick one. We almost envy the donor the blessing of helping the good woman who made all this possible. God bless her! She has her reward even now. This motherly Society can do great things with such as these. Figures have decreased; but more and better gifts are facts that remain. The Secretary gives an earnest "God bless you" to all the willing helpers, much that is unsaid coming from homes made brighter. Let us weary not, nor faint by the way, remembering

"He is dead whose hand is not open wide  
To help the need of a human brother;  
He doubles the length of his life-long ride  
Who gives his fortunate place to another;  
And a thousand million lives are his,  
Who carries the world in his sympathies."

MRS. JAMES DALE, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE Secretary of this Bureau has, during the past year, visited thirteen Conferences, traveled over five thousand miles, and attended seventy-seven Home Missionary meetings. She has assisted in forty-nine of these meetings, and addressed thirty audiences assembled in the interest of our Young People's Work. This has been accomplished without expense to our Society. At some places this Secretary secured small donations, which she forwarded to our General Treasurer. She has met with Christian kindness and courtesy everywhere, and has found the interest in our work on the increase. Pastors of Methodist Episcopal Churches have been generous in several instances, offering their Sunday evening hour, without solicitation, for the presentation of our cause; and once when, through failure of trains to connect, this Secretary was unable to fill an appointment, the pastor of the Church to which she was expected came to the rescue, and preached a Home Missionary sermon. We do not doubt the truthfulness of those who said, "It was the best sermon he ever preached." Our Conference Secretaries for Young People are on the alert, adopting the best methods within their power to interest and instruct their children and young women in all that pertains to the welfare of our Society, and the needs of those in our beloved land who are less favored. We strongly urge all Conference Executive Boards to delay no longer appointing women who will take charge of this department.

An increase of subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, and a growing demand for our membership cards for use in Home Mission Circles, Bands, and Mothers' Jewels, we rejoice to report. There have been urgent requests for badges to be worn by members of Circles and Bands. These will be ready for distribution after January 1, 1899, at a cost of ten cents each. Conference and district meetings of young people have been held in a few places during the past year. On October 13, 1898, the Young People's Home Mission Societies of Wilmington Conference held their Annual Meeting in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Delaware. It was most successful, and greatly encouraged all who aided in bringing about such happy results. The Cincinnati Conference has for three years held an Annual District Meeting for Young People's organizations. These meetings have been occasions of great pleasure. The Circle at Troy, Ohio, has printed a beautiful program for this year, in booklet form, which would compare well with a similar work of any of our Auxiliaries. Cincinnati Conference again leads off in young people's organizations, with its one thousand three hundred and ninety-four Mothers' Jewels, seventeen Home Mission Circles, and eleven Home Mission Bands; its five hundred and twenty-one subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*; with its Young People's Thank-offering Services and Mite-box Openings. May its example stimulate other Conferences to "go and do likewise!"

The following Conferences have elected Secretaries for Young People's Work, and are making good progress in this department, namely: Baltimore, Southern California, California, Cincinnati, Central New York, Central Ohio, Central Pennsylvania, Detroit, East Ohio, Genesee, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Maine, Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, New York, New Hampshire, New York East, North Ohio, New England, New Jersey, North Indiana, Newark, Northern New York, North Ohio, New England Southern, Nebraska, Northwest Iowa, Ohio, Oregon, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Troy, Vermont, Virginia, Wyoming, Wilmington, and West Virginia.

God has greatly blessed our Woman's Home Missionary Society in these Conferences, by giving to this department gifted women, whose

hearts are so touched with Home Missionary zeal, and so thrilled with the knowledge of the great fields of usefulness opening to the young people of our Sunday-schools and League, that they will not rest satisfied until all of our children and our young women are enrolled as active workers or supporters in caring for the hungry, the naked, the helpless, the orphan, the sick and the dying, the ignorant and sinful ones who are crowding our great cities, and who are in the distant parts of our vast country. The gates of the twentieth century are swinging open. Our armies of Christian young people are ready to go forward, and win the world for Christ. Are our Christian leaders taking their places at the head of the line?

MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT, *Secretary.*

## BUREAU FOR LOCAL WORK.

TWENTY-FIVE Conferences have reported Local Work during the year. Large sums of money have been expended in a few of the Conferences, but most of them are turning their attention to the larger needs of the work outside of their own Church and town. Some Auxiliaries have reported work done for the poor in their churches and Sunday-schools; also for their City Hospitals, orphan asylums, shelters, etc.; but as this was charitable, and not missionary work, credit could not be allowed.

In the reports that follow, so far as I have been able to ascertain, the moneys have been expended for the poor *outside* of any church, congregation, or Sunday-school, and therefore is legitimate local missionary work.

Baltimore Conference reports as follows: Anacostia, \$76.10; Maryland Avenue, \$26; Columbia Avenue, for gospel wagon, \$167.90; Madison Avenue, \$19.75; East Baltimore Station, \$29; North Baltimore, \$20.12; Twelfth Street, \$16.36, to establish a mission; Foundry Church, \$9.35; Bethany, \$10.

Central Pennsylvania Conference: Carlisle, \$38; Ridge Avenue, \$65.30; Thirteenth Street, \$1.50.

Cincinnati Conference: Broadway Auxiliary, Dayton, \$25.75; Miami, \$18; Middletown, \$86.67; York Street, \$54.31. St. Paul—Cash and supplies, \$42, and a pound party given by St. Paul Children's Band to Glenn Home Children's Band. Cumminsville: visits made, 18; supplies, \$26.62. Mt. Lookout: supplies, \$12; Bibles given away, 7; five prayer-meetings held with Shut-ins; a picnic given on each of the four Thursdays in August, 1897, to more than one hundred of the poorest people in the city.

Colorado Conference: University Park, \$31.15; Colorado Springs, for Belle Lennox Library, \$901.30; Grant Avenue, \$2.40; Fifth Avenue, \$4.

Detroit Conference: Blissfield, \$2.05; First Church, Alpena, \$3.50; Holly, \$2.05; Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, \$10; Mary Palmer Church, \$2.10; First Church, East Tawas, \$2; Madison Avenue Church, Bay City, \$32.68; supplies, \$18.66. Tabernacle Church, \$5.

Erie Conference: Jamestown—Number visits made, 21; sick visited, 3; supplies given, \$56.29. Panama—Number of children brought to Sunday-school, 3; value of supplies given, \$16.25. Tionesta—Number of families visited not attending Church, 3; cash supplies, \$5; flowers, 90 cents. Kane—Number of sick visited, 5; number of families destitute of food, 3; destitute of clothing, 1; supplies, \$10.60. Union City—Supplies, \$60. Reynoldsville, \$3. Corry—\$7.15; supplies, \$5.26.

Genesee Conference: Bradford, \$147.40; Delaware Avenue, \$50; Hampshire Street, \$51; Bath, \$3, and 20 visits made.

Maine Conference: Congress Street, \$3; Lewiston, \$30; Kent's Hill, \$11.

Minnesota Conference: Wesley Church, \$25.45; Hamline, St. Paul, \$22.25.

Newark Conference: The following amounts have been paid to missionaries who work in mission chapels—Centenary Church, \$25; Central, \$50; Halsey Street, \$95; Eighth Avenue, \$20; Roseville, \$130; St. Luke's, \$75; Baskingridge, \$25; Morristown, \$50; Montclair, \$50; Calvary, East Orange, \$83; Passaic, for starting a chapel, \$29; Market Street, Paterson, \$28—shoes for needy children, \$72.

Northern New York Conference: Ilion, \$4.45; Mexico, \$54.

New Mexico Conference, \$3.20.

New England Conference has contributed \$721.54 for medical missionary work in North End of Boston.

New England Southern Conference: New Bedford, \$104.25, for Portuguese Mission.

New Jersey Conference: Broadway Church, Camden, \$37.58; First Church, Camden, \$17.10; Asbury Park, \$14.59; Trenton, State Street Church, \$46.

North Indiana Conference: Bluffton—Number of visits made, 487; Bibles given, 1; sick visited, 200; supplies given, \$187.31. Wayne Street Auxiliary—Number of visits made, 253; leaflets distributed, 20; Bibles given, 7; sick visited, 300; Bible-readings given, 30; religious services conducted, 20; number families visited not attending Church, 3; number children visited not attending Sunday-school, 6; families destitute of food, 6; families destitute of clothing, 9; persons helped to employment, 5; children brought to Sunday-school, 20; persons brought into the Church, 1; value of supplies given, \$20.

North Nebraska Conference: Hansom Place Church, \$54.85.

Pittsburg Conference: Christ Church, \$115.58; Butler Street, \$115; Butler, \$125; Smithfield Street, \$75; Union Church, \$135; McKeesport paying missionary, \$60.

Puget Sound Conference: Olympia, First Church, \$48.35.

Troy Conference: Keeseville, \$5; Jonesville, \$9.10; Saratoga Springs, \$65; Saratoga, \$26.70; Pittsfield, \$20.25.

Southwest Kansas Conference: Arkansas City—Visits made, 74; children brought into Sunday-school, 32; supplies given, \$18.18. Wellington—Visits made, 65; families not attending Church, 3; children not attending Sunday-school, 6; families destitute of food and clothing, 2; supplies given, \$29.

Upper Iowa Conference: For work among Bohemians in Cedar Rapids—La Porte, \$14; John's Creek, \$5; Winthrop, \$5; Cedar Falls, \$10; Waterloo, \$8.85; Marion, \$2.30; Davenport, \$8; Hopkinton, \$1.55; Belle Plaine, \$5.20; Hampton, \$8.65; Waverly, \$4; Mt. Vernon, \$2.25; Tipton, \$10; Iowa City, \$20; Independence, \$4.

West Wisconsin Conference: Madison, \$157.27; Hudson, \$14.36; Eau Claire, \$13.20; Augusta, \$15.50.

Wyoming Conference: Tabernacle Church, \$84.10; Chenango Street, \$7; Jermyn, \$6.57; Wilkesbarre, \$23.70; Centenary, \$34.10; Owego, \$5.

Total for twenty-five Conferences, \$5,809.55.

Respectfully submitted.

(Mrs.) E. B. GREEN, *Secretary*.

## BUREAU FOR READING CIRCLE.

THE object of this Bureau is to contribute along all lines of the work to which we are committed. My experience of fourteen years in the varied work of the Society justifies this fact, that where you find missionary information, there you will find abundant results. One of our great difficulties is to get a report of the work that is accomplished. The membership unreported last year was: Baltimore Conference, 700; Cincinnati Conference, 483; Denver Conference, 250; total, 1,433. These, in addition to those listed in Annual Report "comprise a membership of over three thousand names, a result honorable to our cause and helpful to the work. It has come to my knowledge that there are many readers who have not taken out a membership." Of this we are glad, but we would rejoice if such would come into the fold and be a part of our living strength.

If we would influence the age in which we live, we must be students of our work. The welfare of society calls for it; our rapidly-changing conditions require it; the future as well as present success of our missionary work demands it.

Let us strive to learn; for "to know is to open out a way, whence the imprisoned splendor may escape."

Our new Star Books for the year are: "Life and Work of Lucinda B. Helm, Who Organized the Work of Home Missions in our Southern States," price 75 cents, published by Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn.; and "The Twentieth Century City," by Rev. Josiah Strong; price, paper, twenty-five cents.

MRS. J. L. TRISLER, *Secretary*.

# REPORTS

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## Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

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### BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

It is with thanksgiving to God we review the work of the past year. The first event of importance within our bounds was the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers in the city of Baltimore. It was the largest meeting your body has ever held, numbering two hundred and twenty-four delegates and visitors. Your coming was a blessing and inspiration, resulting in a quickened interest in all branches of the work, and the forming of new Auxiliaries.

Your session had just closed when our dear Mrs. Beiler arrived from Alaska, bringing joyful tidings respecting the work there. A reception was tendered her by the Conference in Metropolitan Church, at which Bishop Hurst, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, and others warmly welcomed her return.

We have contributed generously this year to the work in Alaska, aiding in missionary's salary and the Building Fund, also supporting beneficiaries there. In addition to these, we have cared for beneficiaries in Watts de Peyster, New Mexico, the National Training-school, and for a girl rescued from Chinatown in San Francisco. The Emergency Fund has been helped, and valuable supplies sent to the frontier.

The Conference Anniversary was an occasion to be remembered, Mrs. Beiler speaking on her missionary tour in Alaska, and Bishop Hurst consecrating several deaconesses.

Baltimore Deaconess Home, under the direction of its able president and Board of Managers, continues to enlarge its borders. The special work of the year has been the erection of a new building in connection with the Rogers Mission, at a cost of \$1,200. It is beautifully adapted to the work our deaconess is doing there.

The Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school and Deaconess Home has had a year of unparalleled success, and the fall term has opened with a class of nearly fifty earnest, consecrated women. Sibley Hospital has been reopened, and a goodly number of the students will be nurse-deaconesses, receiving their training in its wards. Miss Charlotte A. Aikens, the director and nurse in charge, comes to us highly commended. She is an honor graduate of the City of Stratford General Hospital, of Ontario, Canada, and has taken a post-graduate course in the New York Polyclinic Hospital.

The Annual Meeting was held in Harford Avenue Church, Baltimore. Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft gave a beautiful and scholarly address. I have had the honor, during the year, of organizing the Washington and West Virginia Conferences.

With remembrance of our Father's guidance through the year that has gone, and with good courage for the days that are to come, we will press forward.

CLARA L. ROACH,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE traveler approaching San Francisco sees rising from the foothills along the western sky two elevations side by side, so nearly alike in form and altitude, that they are known as the Twin Peaks. As he goes from point to point of the city, through the opening of many streets the Twin Peaks still command the view. The Oriental and the Deaconess Work are the Twin Peaks of Home Missionary endeavor in this Conference. Auxiliaries have slight occasion to ask what lines of work shall be taken up, for these two interests are ever in sight, and either could very profitably utilize every dollar appropriated to both. The generous pledges of private individuals at the last Annual Meeting, and the \$2,500 appropriation of the General Board to the Oriental Work, have stimulated our Auxiliaries to reciprocal action, and the result is over \$1,000.

The Deaconess Home has removed to more commodious quarters on a central street. Donations of furnishings from kind friends have made the new Home exceedingly attractive. The fifth year of the Training-school has just opened, with promise of a large graduating class. Three students graduated in June, two of whom were consecrated at the Annual Conference by Bishop Hurst. Owing to illness, the superintendent, Mrs. H. I. Benson, has been granted leave of absence for one year. Too high a tribute can not be paid to the excellence and faithfulness of her efforts in this department. Mrs. L. M. Carver is giving great satisfaction as acting superintendent. Rev. J. N. Beard, D. D., pastor of a prominent San Francisco Church, is rendering invaluable aid as dean of the school.

A successful district meeting has been held in each of the organized districts.

At the Annual Meeting, Mrs. H. Z. Jones, Secretary of Literature, called for subscriptions to *Home Missions*, and received over twenty names. The Treasurer reported the year's receipts to be \$6,366.39. Of this amount, \$2,315.87 was for Deaconess Work, \$1,016.94 for the Oriental, and \$2,223.83 the estimated value of supplies. The mite-boxes yielded \$128.04.

Our Mission Circles and affiliated King's Daughters are not numerous, but they are strong allies, and the Home Missionary sentiment is winning a place among our young ladies.

Our Society has gained in membership nearly twenty per cent. Only one Auxiliary is in a flickering condition, and its case is not hopeless.

Plans have been laid for specializing during the coming year, increase of membership, systematic benevolence, and juvenile work.

MRS. R. McLELLAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE held its anniversary meeting at the Annual Conference, when an address was given by Mrs. James Dale. No election of officers has been held this year. Three Auxiliaries have continued faithful work for years, whether there were Conference officers or not. Three have grown weary by the way and failed to report, although they have sent money to the Treasurer. Aid has been given to the Emergency Fund, Ritter Home, Bureau of Supplies, and Rust Hall. Subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* have increased, and more intelligent work is being done.

(MISS) ELLA G. TAYLOR,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary*.



## CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

THERE has been little change in the Conference during the year past. Five Auxiliaries have been organized and five have disbanded, leaving the same number with which we began the year. Three Circles have been organized, one Band, and one Band of Mothers' Jewels. Five Life Members have been added during the year. Only 679 numbers of *Home Missions* taken, a *decrease* during the year of 156 numbers. Scholarships have been sustained in *seven* of our Industrial Homes—Stickney Home, at Lynden, Wash.; Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.; Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss.; King Home, Texas; Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.; Jesse Lee Home, Alaska; and Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.

At the Annual Meeting in Baltimore, the Secretary pledged one hundred dollars for Rust Hall, and sixty dollars for a scholarship in Stickney Home. The ladies of the Conference responded nobly to these pledges, and sent to the treasury \$122.99 for Rust Hall, and \$100.51 for Stickney Home.

The little "Jewels" of the Conference have raised \$55.91 for Mothers' Jewels Home.

It is very gratifying to note an increase of members among the young people; yet there are still many Circles and Bands ready for work only waiting for leaders. We need *earnest leaders* for our young people's Home Missionary Societies in a large number of our Churches.

Shall we not have them?

(MRS.) W. A. BROWNELL,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE.

CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE reports a year of good work, although the receipts have fallen a little below last year. This is due not to any lack of interest, but to the fact that several of our strongest Auxiliaries have failed to reach their usual amount because of new church enterprises. Several new Auxiliaries have been organized, and our membership considerably increased.

Never has there been shown more interest in district and Conference meetings. On several of the districts, by the aid of the presiding elder, a thorough canvass has been made, and our work presented, even where the charges are too small to support an organization. Subscribers to our paper have been secured and supplies promised, thus preparing the way for future organization. Our pastors are growing to look upon this work as a means of development and an uplift to their own people.

Our pledges have been met as follows: \$355 to Miss Elliot's salary, King Home; \$342 to the Asheville building; \$70 to National Training-school, Washington, D. C.; \$24 to Indian work; \$127 for scholarships in Haven, Ritter, Allen, and Alaska Homes.

The Supply Department and Emergency Fund have not been overlooked.

Dr. Emily C. Miller, of the Yakima Indian Mission, was with us at our May meeting, and so awakened our sympathy for her much-loved Indians, that we determined to send her a barrel of supplies for Christmas distribution, almost every Auxiliary in the Conference contributing.

At our May meeting also we were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Hedges, Secretary of Bureau for Mississippi, who gave us facts fresh from the fields which she had recently visited.

Mrs. A. F. McVety and Mrs. D. Stecker were appointed to prepare programs for the monthly meeting for the entire year. Early in July their work was completed, the lessons coinciding with the monthly program in *Home Missions*. Fifteen hundred copies of this little booklet were printed and distributed through the Conference. If faithfully used in every Auxiliary, we shall have in the Central Ohio Conference a body of women thoroughly posted on every department of our work.

Our Conference anniversary was ably addressed by Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, at Sidney, Ohio.

Our efficient Treasurer, Mrs. Avann, whose loyalty and devotion to the cause have inspired our Auxiliaries, has been in poor health for several months. Quick to plan and careful to execute when in health, we have missed her ready helpfulness the latter part of the year.

We trust our work this year has helped to make brighter some of the dark places in our own land; but the fullness and richness that has come into our own lives is ample reward for any sacrifices we have made. Truly, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Mrs. M. H. DAVIS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

### CENTRAL, PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

We began this year under a cloud. Our beloved Sister Hammersley, so long by her wise counsel and her financial help a tower of strength to our Conference Society, had just laid down the cross of suffering for the crown of reward. Smarting under this loss, we came face to face with another. Our zealous and efficient co-worker, Mrs. M. R. Crawford, was disabled by sore affliction. The hand that had both given and gathered so successfully for the Master lost its cunning, and the tongue that had so often pleaded the cause of Home Missions was not quite so free to speak. But we are grateful that she is still spared to us, and that she has been able, though in great bodily weakness, to help a little in many ways. The Conference Society has voted to continue her in all her positions of trust, believing that her friends, especially the young girls of Williamsport, will loyally rally to her assistance.\*

Our president, Mrs. A. W. Black, has been, in spite of ill-health, both faithful and efficient. Two camp-meeting anniversaries were conducted by her. At Mountain Grove she was assisted by Miss Anna Slate, with her "Map Talk on our Home Mission Fields;" and at Newton Hamilton by Mrs. J. A. McKee and Mrs. S. V. Heaton, our new Conference Organizer.

Mrs. Woodruff made the address at our Conference in March, and Mrs. Beiler, at our Annual Meeting at Harrisburg, Pa., made the three days' session a time long to be remembered.

Our deaconess work at Mt. Carmel and Shamokin, though conducted on a small scale, has prospered. Miss Bancroft has twice visited this work this autumn, and given it her approval. At Mt. Carmel the interest in the deaconess mission has been strengthened by the addition of a fine organ, set of singing-books, chairs, and supplies for the industrial classes, all donated by friends in Harrisburg.

Our pledges for the year have all been raised; some have been exceeded. Two hundred and twenty dollars in the mite-boxes met our pledge for five beneficiaries, \$129 was paid for a scholarship in the National Training-school, and one girl was cared for at Ritter Home. To the Emergency Fund \$100 has been given, and \$50 each on salaries of

\* Since the above was written Mrs. Crawford's earthly life has closed. She entered upon the life eternal December 20, 1898.—[Ed. .

Miss Sowle and Miss Mary Tripp. To the Asheville Building Fund \$65, and to Rust Hall \$10. There is not much advance in Young People's Work, but \$65 from Mothers' Jewels encourages further effort in this direction.

Pledges for the year have been taken as follows: One-hundred-dollar scholarship in Training-school, \$20 of this (besides \$10 for a girl at Allen Home), is to come from the Queen Esthers of Mulberry Street, Williamsport; \$60 from the Queen Esthers of Grace, Harrisburg, will support Nadia, Miss Sowle's native helper, at Unalaska. This girl is one of the first fruits of our mission there, being one of the six girls brought eight years ago from the seal islands by the captain of the *Bear*. Clearfield and Hollidaysburg will each raise \$40 for a girl at Ritter Home, and Berwick will give \$30, the half support of Tseung Ho in Chinese Mission at San Francisco. Two hundred and thirty dollars from the mite-boxes will render beneficiary aid to five children—Ida Ford, at Watts de Peyster, a child rescued from bad surroundings at Mt. Carmel; Louise Keehler, at Mothers' Jewels Home; Isaac Watts, at Stickney; Vasha Nezeroff, at Unalaska; and the other half support of Tseung Ho.

Fifteen Auxiliaries have pledged the salary of the deaconess at Mt. Carmel, and \$200 more will be raised for other causes.

Three candidates from our Conference have recently entered the Training-school at Washington, all bright, cultured, and consecrated young women.

Our Secretary of Supplies is still efficient and faithful, and our Mite-box Secretary full of resources.

All our officers are, we believe, conscientiously doing what they can to help the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its great work of bringing in the kingdom of our Lord on earth.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, *Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

## CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

THE Cincinnati Conference shows more extended interest in the work of our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Some new Auxiliaries and Circles have been formed within her bounds, and others are calling for help in organizing.

The Annual Meeting was held at Springfield with good results, and was most ably addressed in the evening by Mrs. E. L. Albright.

The district meetings have been held in all the districts, and much interest has been created. In the Cincinnati District, where they hold two such meetings each year, the work is especially flourishing.

The Anniversary Meeting at the session of the Annual Conference at Xenia was addressed by Dr. A. B. Leonard and Mrs. R. S. Rust.

To the Cincinnati Conference is accorded the honor of holding the first Conference of Mite-box Secretaries. Under the leadership of the able Secretary, Mrs. M. P. Brown, of Middletown, it was held at Dayton, and was most enthusiastic, resulting in an awakening in this branch of work in all the districts, and adding one hundred dollars more to the treasury over last year. The placing of a mite-box, as a forerunner, has resulted in the organization of two new Auxiliaries in the Dayton District.

No more important work occupies our interest than that of Glenn Industrial Home, located at Cincinnati, and the special work of our Conference. It is with pleasure we report the building all paid for. It has been the medium of great good to many of the unchurched poor in that large

city. Seven missionaries and kindergartners have been at work during the year. For details of the work, see Annual Report of the Chairman.

Surely the Supplies Department affords us an opportunity to "bear one another's burdens," and the Secretary reports, "While the value of supplies is not so great, there is an increased interest in a larger number of Auxiliaries."

The interest of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school is being energetically pushed, as well as interest in "Rust Hall," by Mrs. E. E. Buvinger.

Ours was the banner Conference last year in Young People's Work, and they have now finished another good year. We point with peculiar satisfaction to the evidences of constantly increasing interest among the children and young people. There is abundant reason to rejoice in the great promise this field affords. They have contributed liberally to the support of missionaries at Glenn Home, also to the Emergency Fund, and they generally observe Thank-offering with good results.

In some districts the *Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* are largely taken, while in others there is a lack of interest in these most valuable aids to the diffusion of missionary intelligence.

There is an improved interest in the Reading Course.

The Emergency Fund has received attention from Auxiliaries and individuals. Thank-offering is generally observed. The year, as a whole, has been a pleasant and prosperous one, and we press forward with renewed courage, and hope that greater things for the Master may be yet accomplished.

MRS. H. G. MARSHALL,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## COLORADO CONFERENCE.

THE Colorado Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society has many earnest and devoted friends, and the better it is known, the more it is loved.

We have passed a year of increased interest. We are organized into four districts, with efficient and faithful officers in each. There are still many charges where we have no Auxiliary, and yet the object of the Society is approved.

Many Churches feel that they have a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that is sufficient. But our own experience has been that the two Societies stimulate each other, and both prosper. We have been able to give, in money and supplies, to our frontier work \$1,167.82. This has been a great help to our ministers in the mountains.

Our circulating library has done much good in aiding our young ministers to complete their courses of study.

We have sent \$30.60 and clothing to our little girl in the "Mothers' Jewels Home" at York, Nebraska. I may say that she is supported almost wholly by the "Mothers' Jewels Bands" throughout our Conference. Our annual gift of \$60 has been made to the Denver Missions. We are still interested in the Dulce Mission, New Mexico. A complete outfit of dishes was given the mission by our dear friend, Mrs. Senator Teller, through the Colorado Conference. We are assisting in the salary of a teacher among the Navajoes. The Broadway Church, of Pueblo, supports a scholarship in Alaska. A member of our Society, Mrs. William Lennox, has maintained a large modern nursery for waifs, under our auspices, at a cost of \$1,001.08. This is successfully managed by our devoted Conference President, Mrs. A. C. Peck.

In October, 1897, in answer to earnest prayer, the deaconess work

was resuscitated, this time under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Miss Melissa Briggs, already well known and highly esteemed amongst us, was transferred from Salt Lake City to Denver. The work has grown, until at present we have a neat eight-roomed cottage, furnished by our Auxiliaries, the Epworth League, and by friends. There are at present four deaconesses in the house; also a full-blooded Apache Indian girl, Alice May. She is from the Teller Institute, at Grand Junction, Colorado. She is seventeen years of age, a refined Christian girl, and she intends to equip herself to be a missionary among her own people. We are greatly interested in her.

We have arranged for a colored lady to take the course of training in our Home, so that she may go among the ten thousand colored people of Denver as a consecrated deaconess. We have incorporated, and have adopted largely the rules of the Philadelphia Home. We are expecting daily Miss Deaton, a nurse-deaconess from Baltimore, when both oceans, the Gulf, and the Middle West will be represented in our workers. We have expended in deaconess work in seven months \$403.90. We held during Conference our anniversary meeting, which was very largely attended, and productive of good results. The outlook for the coming year is most encouraging, and our hearts are cheered.

MRS. CLAUDIUS B. SPENCER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Columbia River Conference has been greatly restricted during the last few years for lack of some capable person to lead the forces. For the past two years there have been only two officers of any description outside the few Auxiliaries, a Conference Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

When Mrs. Whitfield, our General Organizer, turned over the work to us two years ago, there were the names of eight towns within this Conference where Woman's Home Missionary Societies had been organized. Upon writing the different Secretaries, we found that only three Societies were doing active work—Pasco, Milton, and Walla Walla. During the two years three others have become active—Pendleton, Moscow, and Spokane. In Pasco is a brave little Circle of six women, who are doing what they can for this work. Also at Milton earnest work has been done by a faithful treasurer, who gathers up what money she can and sends it in occasionally. Pendleton organized a little over a year ago, with only a few members, but a great deal of determination. We expect them to succeed. Walla Walla is one of the oldest Auxiliaries, and an important one, though the workers are few, and have not reached all they hoped for. However, we look for good results this coming year. The membership of these four Auxiliaries will average, perhaps, ten persons.

Moscow Auxiliary has taken on new life, as it were, since Sister Booth, the pastor's wife, went there to labor among them. She has proven to be a person well adapted to this work.

Vincent Church, Spokane, has organized an Auxiliary of twenty-two members, and has done splendid work during the past year. The pastor's wife, Mrs. W. K. Beans, possesses the right qualifications to direct such work, and was readily chosen as our new Conference President.

As we have scanned the field, so vast, so needy, so promising, and then noted the feeble efforts made in this cause, we confess to discouragement.

ment. When the first year of our work as Secretary closed, there seemed to be nothing worth reporting to the Annual Meeting, so we didn't report. The second year was closing up with somewhat more of success; but a feeling that all was not being done for this Society that should be done.

When our Annual Conference met at Pullman, Wash., August 31st, to our great joy we found that our presiding Bishop had brought his wife—one of our Honorary Vice-Presidents—with him, Mrs. C. C. McCabe. At our anniversary exercises, Friday, September 2d, Mrs. McCabe addressed us in behalf of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. As a result of her earnest, helpful, encouraging words, a Conference organization was effected at that time. Although it took some little time to find the proper persons and elect them to the different offices, still the spirit of the meeting was so triumphant that as soon as the election was dispensed with a familiar hymn was sung, a collection of ten dollars taken, and, instead of closing the service as we expected, a genuine Methodist praise-meeting was held, where souls were brought into touch with heavenly things in Christ Jesus. During this service the newly-elected officers and ladies interested in Home Missionary work, accompanied by Mrs. McCabe, withdrew to the lecture-room, where kindly advice and instruction were given by both the president and Sister McCabe, and, as we closed in a consecration prayer, "Heaven came down our souls to greet, while glory crowned the mercy-seat." Our faith takes hold for large things this year.

(MRS.) MINNIE UREN-WARNER,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## DES MOINES CONFERENCE.

ALTHOUGH the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Des Moines Conference has suffered from lack of a well-organized working force, there is now a bright prospect for its future success. The Anniversary Meeting was held during the session of the Conference at Creston, at which time the interests of the Society were ably presented by Miss Ida Miner, a deaconess from the National Training-school at Washington, and Mrs. N. S. Brush, State President. Various charges throughout the Conference have been visited by these workers, and also by Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss Durham, deaconess, of Buffalo, N. Y., and, as a result, much interest has been aroused and substantial help afforded the cause by their efforts.

The location of the Bidwell Deaconess Home at Des Moines is most fortunate, for not only is Methodism greatly strengthened in our Capital City, but its influence is felt throughout the State. Miss Elizabeth Humphrey, the efficient superintendent, is a tireless worker, and through her efforts a practical example of the value of the deaconess work is being constantly set forth. A movement has recently been started towards the establishment of a Hospital in connection with the Home, and its promoters have every reason to believe that their plans may be brought to a successful issue.

There are a number of flourishing Auxiliary Societies in the larger Churches of the Conference, and as the Conference Board is full of enthusiasm for the work, the outlook is most encouraging.

(MISS) ARABELLA LITTLE, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## DETROIT CONFERENCE.

CYCLES come and go. Every year adds some points toward proficiency, that mark energy and faith and a going on to perfection. We are in labors abundant, with 102 organizations and with enthusiastic workers building roads, which will make the unorganized territory easy of access just a little later on. We have increased our subscribers to our organ, the *Woman's Home Missions*, by seventy. We take great interest in this publication. Our membership shows in six districts 218 net gain. We have published manuals the last two years, sending carefully broadcast three thousand each year, believing that knowledge shall make stable and multiply our workers. We have found that printer's ink pays.

We have also attended to the pledges for the Southern Homes, the Navajoes, Jesse Lee Home, Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Rust Hall, and the Oriental Work. Last year's report shows a marked increase in number of mite-boxes and amount within, but we have surpassed that report this year, by an increase of 223 boxes, and a gain in contents of more than forty per cent. Our deaconess work shows steady, systematic, business-like adherence in gospel methods and pursuits. Our Board is sympathetically interested in our deaconesses, as well as their work reported. The Detroit Home has twelve workers. Seventy audiences have shown appreciation of addresses these sisters have given during the year concerning their work.

On account of the large amount of frontier work, we take much interest in our Ministers' Loan Library. Our books are almost exclusively in the Course of Study. We have 725 volumes, and have circulated this year nearly six hundred of these among seventy-seven young ministers. We have received one bequest of \$700. I think it is a careful summing up of the state of affairs from a correspondence much larger than last year, that the Detroit Conference Society is entering upon the most prosperous year of its fifteen.

Mrs. Wm. B. POPE,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## EAST OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE delegates and visitors from East Ohio Conference, who were privileged to attend the National Meeting last year, returned to their homes with the determination to do more thorough, aggressive work throughout the Conference than they had hitherto done. A meeting of the Executive Board was called, and an Organizer was appointed in each of the eight Conference districts. Auxiliaries were urged to send to the New York Book Room for missionary leaflets and literature. The claims of our papers, *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, were presented. An earnest effort was made to introduce mite-boxes into every Auxiliary, and we determined to make an increased effort to secure the hearty co-operation of the ministers throughout the Conference. Our earnest efforts have been crowned with a degree of success. We have supported scholarships in several of the Homes, and have redeemed the pledges made at the National Meeting; in some instances, notably in pledge for Emergency Fund, more than doubling amount promised. Eighty dollars was given during the year towards the salaries of missionaries, and other special funds were generously remembered. The Deaconess Home at Cleveland is doing a much needed work, and

is gaining the favor and confidence of ministers and people throughout the Conference. The Industrial Home and the St. Clair Street Mission, which owe their existence to the labors of the deaconesses, are doing a blessed work for the poor and unchurched people of the city. We raised \$2,240 for the Home last year, and received a donation of \$1,000, to be applied towards an endowment fund. The Annual Meeting held last May at Cambridge was very helpful and inspiring. The attendance of the Conference Anniversary was very large, and the meeting was a most delightful one. Five new Auxiliaries and three Queen Esther Circles have been formed during the year. The reports from many of the Auxiliaries are very incomplete, and much that is done by them is never reported. While grateful for what has been accomplished, we realize that there yet remains very much to be done before we can say that we are striving with every energy to promote our cause. But we are thankful that we can report progress. We believe the heaven is working. And we are praying for the day when there shall be a Woman's Home Missionary Society, not only in every Church within the bounds of our own Conference, but in every Methodist Episcopal Church throughout the length and breadth of our own great land.

"All we have willed or hoped or dreamed  
Of good shall exist;  
Not its semblance, but itself."

ELIZA K. ARTER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### EAST TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

THERE has been a forward movement in our Conference this year, an increase of three Auxiliaries and a larger amount of money raised for membership dues than in any previous year. Some of our ministerial brethren are in accord with us, while others get the wrong view of the work, and consider what is done for the General Society is not Home Missionary work. They believe with us in doing for the needy of our own Church and town; but outside of this the work is looked upon as Foreign Mission work.

In August the Smithville District Association was held at New River, and one minister stated before the meeting that we had no right to take collection when we hold our district meeting and anniversaries, and use the money for our general work, but that such money should be given to the Church where the meeting is held, or to the pastor in charge, and the pastor of the charge caused a Committee to be appointed on finances, and they distributed the twenty-three dollars raised as they saw fit. All the preachers present save one agreed with this manner of things.

The Corresponding Secretary has a great deal to contend with trying to defend the general work of the Society; but when the clergy get the wrong view, the people are apt to have the wrong impression, for they think he is the one to lead. I have endeavored to get our Auxiliaries to look outside of their own firesides and communities. We would like to see the work in its broadest sense. It has been my aim to impress the fact that our deaconesses and missionaries are doing the local work in a more thorough and practical manner than we ever hope to do. Therefore it is best to devote their energies largely to raising money for our missionary's salary, and for the beneficiaries in our Industrial Schools and Homes.



I am glad to report that our Home at Morristown has a most successful opening this season. Three girls have gone from Bristol, and write that they are delighted with the Home and the training received.

Lee Street Auxiliary deserves special mention for sending a box of provisions to the New Jersey Home, valued at six dollars. We have sent a few subscribers to the paper, and hope to get more soon. We thank God for the past, and take courage for the future, knowing that the work is his, and he alone can give success.

MRS. CORA PROVINE,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### ERIE CONFERENCE.

DURING the past year the Conference Secretary has labored under some disadvantage because of a protracted illness, which prevented her attendance at the several district meetings. Personal contact with district officers and Auxiliary representatives in these meetings is her tower of strength, as well as her bureau of information. Subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, our Young People's Work, our quarterly reports, and finance have especially suffered. The September report is quite discouraging, but we hope it will not affect our average. We have, however, made some advance in membership. Six new Auxiliaries, one Circle, and one Band have been organized, and a number of Mothers' Jewels have been gathered.

The Annual Conference Board Meeting was held at Chautauqua Assembly grounds in July, the management giving free admission, and Chautauqua boarding-houses free entertainment. Some important changes have been made in our Conference officers. Mrs. F. H. Beck, our long-tried and always faithful Treasurer, declined re-election, and Mrs. W. J. Smith, Northeast Pennsylvania, is her successor. Mrs. Pinney, the efficient Recording Secretary, also declined the work, and Mrs. Fannie O. Bailey succeeds her. Mrs. Smith, in assuming the work of Treasurer, gave the Supplies work over to Mrs. Jane Mead, of Corry, Pa.

Our Conference Anniversary was an unusual success. Mrs. Baker, our Conference President, was in the chair. Mrs. I. D. Jones, of Cincinnati, came to us full of the Spirit and ready in the work. She riveted the attention of preachers and people, and in a happy and convincing manner led them to see the need of the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the scope of its work. Her visit was gratefully received and greatly appreciated. Our scholarships are assumed for the ensuing year; also the support of a missionary, Miss Baldwin. The year opens with good promise, and we go forward In His Name.

ANNIE M. CUMMINGS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### GENESEE CONFERENCE.

WE have no discouraging word to bring from Genesee Conference. Never since its organization has better work been done or more enthusiastic service given by both district and Auxiliary officers and members.

During the year there have been eight new organizations—two Auxiliaries, four Circles, and two Mission Bands. This number is not so large as we hoped it would be at the beginning of the year, yet it is an encouraging fact that the general interest in the work of our Society is increasing throughout the Conference. This is shown by the increasing

membership in many of the Auxiliaries, and a growing interest in all the departments of work.

Nearly all of the six districts have held two public meetings during the year, with good results. A three days' institute was held at Silver Lake Assembly in August, which was well attended, and great interest manifested. It closed with the usual anniversary on Sunday evening, August 14th.

Nearly all of the organizations—Circles and Bands, as well as Auxiliaries—have raised money in excess of their membership dues for special work, and some of the Societies have raised large amounts. Most of the Auxiliaries have sent one or more barrels of supplies to our frontier ministers or Industrial Homes, or both.

The deaconess work in our Conference is becoming more thoroughly established and more highly appreciated each year, and the open doors for the entrance of our deaconesses are multiplying so rapidly, that it is difficult to find enough workers.

A hearty response has been given to the call for the Emergency Fund, and \$221.50 have been raised for that purpose; \$66.50 have been raised for Asheville Home, \$50 for Harwood Home, \$106.14 for Alaska, and \$37 for the Indians. Money has also been raised in smaller amounts for Rust Hall, Rest Home, Browning and Mothers' Jewels Homes, and a few other places. For deaconess work we have raised \$2,561.

The outlook for the year, upon which we have already entered, is most encouraging, and we confidently expect that our Heavenly Father will so direct and help us, that we shall be able to report at its close the best year in our history.

(MRS.) E. B. GREEN,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

SINCE September, 1897, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Illinois Conference has added eleven new Auxiliaries to its list of Societies. These Auxiliaries represent 154 new workers in the field. During the year thousands of dollars have been distributed by our organizations, in supplies sent to our meagerly-paid ministers in the frontier work, help to our schools, and to mission work among the Indians, the Bohemians, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Italians, the colored people of the South, and the isolated mountain whites. During the year the Conference Secretary has traveled more than five hundred miles, has written four hundred letters, distributed two hundred and fifty Annual Reports among the local Societies, besides large quantities of other literature pertaining to the interests of Home Missions.

The Annual Meeting of our Conference Society was held at Saybrook, Illinois, and was in every point an encouragement to a forward movement in all departments of the work.

A legacy of six thousand dollars has been left to our Illinois Conference work by the will of the late Miss Johnson, of Urbana.

Among our young people we have several flourishing organizations, and we are pushing the work along these lines.

Our paper, *Woman's Home Missions*, lost some subscribers because of the advance in the subscription price, but it is still taken by each of our Auxiliaries, and proves very helpful to all, for it has as many readers, if not more than before its improvement.

There were some changes made as to Conference officers at our recent Annual Meeting, which it is hoped will greatly help on the work

of Woman's Home Missions in Illinois Conference throughout the year 1898-99.

Pledges for the present year in money are as large as formerly, and no abatement of our work as to supplies will occur. Our motto in all departments is in keeping with the sentiment of the times, expansion.

(MISS) MARY S. PEGRAM, *Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

### INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE Indiana Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society now includes in its work seven districts out of eight, in which the organization is represented. While in three of these the representation is small, it is the beginning of greater things. Central Avenue Auxiliary reports the largest membership, one hundred and four; Hall Place the largest financial report, five hundred and eighteen dollars.

Every line of work has been well brought up, except the subscriptions to our paper. We expect to make an advance in this direction during the year. Helpful and enthusiastic district meetings have been held, and anniversaries at camp-meetings, receiving inspiration and renewed zeal for the work from the eloquent addresses and appeals from such representative women as Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Miss Bancroft, and Miss Durham,—Miss Durham making an itinerary through the southern part of the Conference, beginning at the time of the anniversary at the Annual Conference. This itinerary was most satisfactory in awakening an interest for Home Missions in the unorganized Churches, receiving liberal donations for the work, and in securing the names of more than twenty young ladies who desire to take a course of training in the National Training-school at Washington, D. C.; also securing the promise of some valuable property for the deaconess work.

At the Acton Camp-meeting a two days' meeting was held, with very gratifying results. A reception was given at the missionary cottage, everybody on the grounds invited, and the invitation was accepted, making a throng of people present, who received a glad welcome to this place of rest, for such this cottage really is.

Miss Rose Robertson, of the New Orleans Italian work, was most helpful at the Deputy Camp-meeting, and has given to Moores Hill and Seymour Districts some valuable work, creating an especial interest in the Italian work.

One of the most important matters in connection with one of the early meetings of the Conference Executive Board was the appointment of Mrs. A. E. Kiger, of West Newton, as an Organizer, and she has already organized several new Auxiliaries. The treasurer's report shows nearly every pledge met. We have aided during the year eight different fields of work. In cash, have exceeded last year by over three hundred dollars.

Preliminary steps have been taken by the united Conferences towards establishing a Hospital and Deaconess Home in Indianapolis. Miss Schwartz, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., has been placed in charge, with a fair prospect of success. The curtain has been drawn aside, giving the merest glimpse of what has filled the busy days of the one thousand three hundred and two members who compose this Conference Society. We are very grateful for the good measure of success that has crowned the work of the year, making it possible to give you the record of another year, the best in the history of this Conference. We know no such word as fail. Onward is the motto.

A. V. P. ADAMS, *Secretary*.

MRS. L. A. WINGATE, *Assistant*.

## LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

THERE is a great work for us to do in the South. The field is opening to us as never before. At the last meeting of the Louisiana Conference we carried \$47 as our contribution to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. An earnest effort is being made to awaken more interest in giving. There have been several new Auxiliaries organized, and six old ones strengthened. I organized four Juvenile Bands at Jeanerette, where we now have a membership of fifty children. These children have sent five dollars for their assessment, and one dollar for their paper. They have a great many destitute ones among them that need our help. Also at New Iberia our little ones were organized a month ago, and are working to send their assessment. The Auxiliary at New Iberia, under the leadership of Mrs. Bowles, is doing a good work. At Alexandria the work is increasing in interest, under the leadership of Mrs. Varner, its president.

A few days ago I received a letter from one of our colored soldiers at Santiago de Cuba, pleading for help. Surely the harvest is great, but the laborers are few. God send us laborers, and more consecrated women for his vineyard. You that are able, open your hearts and your hands to help those who are less fortunate. The Lord greatly bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its Christlike work!

MRS. D. M. WALKER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## MAINE CONFERENCE.

WE note the increase in interest and numbers in our Conference during the past year with gratitude to Him who hath caused His face to shine upon us. Mrs. Anna F. Beiler gave the Conference address at our anniversary. The good news that she brought from a far land was an inspiration. Our new president, Mrs. H. C. Beedy, has been abundant in good works, and brings a fresh re-enforcement to the service. The District Secretaries, though confronted with obstacles, are gleaned faithfully. Mrs. Freeman reports two district meetings, and these add much to the interest in that part of the Conference. The camp-meetings on the other districts afforded an opportunity for missionary services.

The Poland mission meeting was a very successful one. Beside the papers read, Mrs. Jennie Fowler Willing gave an address in her usual interesting manner. At East Livermore a half day was assigned us, and addresses by Mrs. Beedy, Ladd, Palmer, and Miss Storey occupied the time. Supplies were secured for the East Boston Immigrants Home, the Atlanta Home, and several new members were added. At the Strong meeting, Mrs. Beedy gave the address. Our presiding elders kindly gave our Societies room and encouragement. Our way is easy when the pastors prepare it for us.

Our agent reports supplies valued at more than \$700 sent east, west, and south, this sum being an advance of more than \$100 over the amount raised last year. One hundred dollars has been raised for local needs. The Mite-box Secretary has distributed four dozen of these useful gleaners. Miss Douglass, Superintendent of Young People's Work, is aggressive and progressive, sending out circular letters urging Junior Leagues to lend a hand, and in other lines trying to interest the young

people. Some of our Auxiliaries are contributing money to furnish a room in the Rust Home, Washington, in memory of our late beloved sister, Mrs. D. B. Randall.

The sickness and death of a daughter have called me to home duties, but we hope, through our tears, to see how to wipe away the tears of other sorrowing ones.

SARAH F. PALMER,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

I AM pleased to report that the work of the year has been successful, and that it presents indications of continued prosperity. At the session of the Annual Conference, held one year ago in September, the presiding elders' districts were reduced from nine to seven. This naturally disorganized our district work, and caused some confusion. But very soon the work was again satisfactorily adjusted, and we believe we are benefited, inasmuch as it made the districts stronger. Five of the seven districts held their Annual Meetings during the months of April and May. I was present at four of these, and noticed a marked interest and helpfulness in the spirit of the workers.

The other two districts are in Northern Michigan, and partially on missionary territory. The secretaries of these districts have been most faithful and indefatigable in their labors, so that now we have quite a foothold and a few prosperous Auxiliaries. Our last Annual Meeting was held on one of these districts. It was pronounced one of the best, and the best in attendance, of all our Annual Meetings. Mr. M. C. B. Mason gave an evening address to a packed house. The address was thoroughly in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It gained many friends for us. Every year we do our work more systematically. Each district becomes responsible for a certain amount for special work, and then apportions it to its respective Auxiliaries. During the year we supported six scholarships, paid the salary of the superintendent of the New Jersey Home, twenty-five dollars for Rust Hall, forty-six dollars on the Emergency Fund. Besides these, smaller sums have been paid to Emerson Home, Immigrant Home, York Home, and others. We have also paid for deaconess work in our Conference \$824. The mite-box collection was increased over last year. The Thank-offering meetings were more generally held, with increased collections. The amount for supplies not quite as good as last year.

The superintendent of Grand Rapids Deaconess Home reports a successful year in the training-school, with four students. One deaconess, Miss Cummins, is doing work in Grand Rapids, and one, Miss Bell, in Jackson. The work of the deaconesses meets with much favor in both places. In organization, we are rather discouraged. The Young People's Work and Reading Circles we count almost a failure. The Society has been well represented at all the camp-meetings. We need no longer plead for permission to hold services, but are rather solicited to do so. Collections are no longer out of order. Four new Auxiliaries were organized during the year, and thirty-four camp-meeting members secured. The notes on the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in our Church papers are a great help to us, as they contain much information and keep the Society before the people. The results of the year, although not large, are encouraging. We enter the new year, praying and hoping for greater advancement.

MRS. LEVI MASTER,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCES.

IN labors we have been abundant, and in prayers fervent for the increase and progress of our Woman's Home Missionary Society work throughout our proud State. In March, at Morris, a new Auxiliary came into actual existence, which to-day numbers forty members, with twenty-two subscribers to *Home Missions* and a fine Reading Circle. In June, through the help of our beloved Mrs. B. S. Potter, others were organized at Forest Heights, Minneapolis; Clinton Avenue, St. Paul; Rochester, Blue Earth City, Winnebago City, and at Elmore; still more recently, one at Lake Crystal. Also during the summer Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson organized a strong Auxiliary at Duluth. Mrs. J. M. Martin, a devoted and loyal sister, recently passed to her reward. She was numbered among the charter members of our State work, and served most untiringly as Corresponding Secretary in the Hennepin Avenue Auxiliary, and latterly as president of the same. To her blessed memory the Minnesota Conferences have subscribed \$50 for Mothers' Jewels Home, in which she held so deep an interest. Further subscriptions have been made by the same, of \$50 for King Home, Texas; \$50 for Hospital at Unalaska; \$50 for Immigrant Home by Hennepin Avenue Auxiliary; \$60 for Watts de Peyster Home, by young people of Hennepin Avenue Church; \$50 for Immigrant Home, by First Church, St. Paul; and I presume many of our former scholarships will be continued.

Now, dear sisters, when at Baltimore we made our maiden appeal for the present Annual Meeting to be held in our city of sunshine, it was not honestly for the "loaves and fishes" we could offer you, but that you might come in touch with the enterprise and loyalty of our State sisterhood, and that they might know more clearly something of the vastness of our magnificent work and much of the exalted personality and executive ability of our governing body and representatives connected from all parts of our Union, for the blessing it might be to all concerned for love of Christ and in His Name.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

THE Missouri Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society has many things with which to contend, and the growth of our work is necessarily slow. But we feel sure that the time will come, and is not far distant, when our beloved Society will receive the recognition due her. Paul says, "For ye have need of patience, that after ye have done the will of God ye might receive the promise." Patience is the one thing needful in this field of work.

Our Conference Anniversary was a season of joy and inspiration. Mrs. Bishop McCabe was with us, and delighted all by her cordiality and an intensely interesting address of ten minutes. She was followed by that eloquent and gifted speaker, Mrs. J. R. Woodcock. It was an afternoon long to be remembered. Our work was presented at various camp-meetings, and many there promised future assistance.

A trip of ten days through the northwest part of our territory resulted in the organization of two Auxiliaries and some ten members to our Conference Society; a distribution of one hundred Jewel cards and mite-boxes, and about two thousand pages of literature.

Mrs. Spurlock spent one Sunday with us, giving addresses in the First Church and Oakland Church, St. Joseph. Her coming brought with it the encouragement needed.

Owing to our removal from the Conference, we close our work in this special field, and place it in the hands of Mrs. C. H. Black, of First Church, St. Joseph, who is in sympathy and love with our work, and enters upon the duties of Corresponding Secretary well fitted for the office. Our prayers will ever be for this field, where we have labored hard and done what we could to bring the Society before the people. We shall take up the work of our Society in our new home, though in another capacity, and will do all that is possible.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

WITH one exception, the five districts of our Conference Society have held a meeting of deep profit; and from that one missing link very recently came words of cheer, leading us to believe that next year our district chain of meetings will be complete.

Our exhibit from the Mothers' Jewels National Home at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition we believe will help us as a Society, by advertising us in name and deed.

The Mothers' Jewels Home in the bounds of our Conference is still dispensing its blessings to both those who give and the children who receive. Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock continue their untiring labors, and God is with them. We in Nebraska believe it was wisdom—yes, if we use the term righteously, might we not say, it was policy—to place a man who has been known so widely in our State, and who stands as a man among men as Mr. Spurlock does, at the head of our interests. We account it a privilege to have within our Conference Mrs. Angie Newman, and rejoice that regaining health allows her presence publicly among us again.

Many discouraging features meet us in our work in Nebraska. We so often lay a new-born Home Missionary babe in some Church cradle, only to find that, through the transitory life of our State's people, in a few months the nurses who were interested in caring for the little one have removed, and the child of our hope has been left to perish. This is the history that is constantly repeating itself. It is only by comparison with our very beginnings that we can keep courage for further effort. We can not lose sight of the fact that much of our territory yet has to be listed under the head, "Recipient." However, when we count our thirty-six Auxiliaries, representing \$400+ and \$550+ in vouchers, we feel that "Hold fast" shall be our motto.

We ask that your patience and prayers may be ours until such strength may come to us.

MRS. ANNIE HOBBS WOODCOCK,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NEWARK CONFERENCE.

THE Newark Conference is among the pioneers in Woman's Home Missionary endeavor, our Society having been established in the fourth year of the existence of the National Society, and we celebrated, at our Annual Meeting held during this month, the fourteenth year of active Society work. Those who laid the foundations counted not in vain upon that which was to follow as the result of their wise foresight.

The Annual Meeting, which was held in Morristown, N. J., in October, though embracing reports for a year of only eleven months, showed substantial advance in nearly every direction. Our faithful National President, Mrs. Fisk, was with us, and cheered us by her words of appreciation, while she also gave us an insight into the work, the result of her broad outlook over the whole field. Our members have increased in Auxiliaries and Young People's Societies. We have gained several new Auxiliaries, Circles, Bands, and Jewels. Our efficient Secretary of Young People's Work, Mrs. E. C. Dutcher, has accomplished a large increase among those who are in training for efficient Home Missionary work in their maturer years. A pleasing feature of this department has been the help which she has so often received from Junior Epworth Leagues. It is sometimes difficult to institute Auxiliaries among those who never entertained the thought of organized work for Christ by the women of the Churches; but surely these little ones, thus early trained to do something for Him, will prove faithful workers in many fields in the years that may be just ahead of us. No time can be lost that is spent in training the young along lines of systematic benevolence.

A thorough district organization, which has been in operation during the two years just past, has materially lightened the clerical labors of the Corresponding Secretary, and has resulted in a large increase of memberships. With the new impetus derived from the reviving business of our country, we look for even greater results in the year to come, by the blessing of God on faithful and consecrated labor.

In the Newark District an added interest has been given to the work of the Society in Jersey City by the successful establishment of a Deaconess Home. When the last report was made to this National Convention, Newark Conference Deaconess Home was but an experiment, having been just inaugurated in small apartments in Jersey City. Now it is an established and successful factor in our Methodism in that city, and the pastors of our Churches gladly bear testimony to the efficient help of our deaconesses in their Church work. It is the hope and desire of those who overlook the field, that at some time not far distant there may be one established in Newark, our metropolis.

The local work in Newark has received the attention of the Auxiliaries of that city during the year as usual. By an arrangement made with the City Church Extension Society, part of the support of the missionaries assisting in the work has been assumed by the Church Extension Society, so that not so large an amount of money as formerly will be found reported for the local work; but our interest in the success of that work has not ceased, and we hope to see an increase of opportunity for doing good in that direction.

Our Camp-meeting Anniversary, held as usual at Camp Tabor, was of interest to all who were favored to listen to the earnest words of those who there presented our various causes.

The supply work, through our Secretary, Mrs. Boswell, shows an unflinching interest on the part of our women to secure the good of those less fortunately situated than themselves, many of whom are as truly bearing the reproach of the Cross in some of the outposts of our work, as did the apostles of old when they started out upon the first missionary work of the Christian Church.

Our various pledges, made at last National Convention, have all been met. We feel it a privilege to assist in the educational work of the Society by supporting scholars in Jesse Lee, Stickney, Boylan, Harwood, Watts de Peyster, and New Jersey Homes. It has been the endeavor of the Corresponding Secretary to impress upon the Auxiliaries the importance



of sustaining this branch of our work, and we are glad that they have so fully responded to leadings in this direction.

The Emergency Fund has received the attention of many, and we hope to make a contribution to it of some size by means of our Thank-offerings in November, which we will devote to that purpose.

Thus the year has been filled with varied service "For the love of Christ and in His Name." These which we have noted have been the public manifestations of our love, and the desire we have that his work may grow and his kingdom spread in the hearts and lives of those who live in this, our native land

(MRS.) CHARLES E. HILL,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE has during the past year kept in touch with a large number of fields of labor, through its contributions to the support of Asheville, Browning, Haven, Thayer, King, Ritter, Bennett, Jesse Lee, Albuquerque, Stickney, Watts de Peyster, Lucy Webb Hayes Homes, as well as for work among the Navajoes and Orientals, and \$155 has been added to the Emergency Fund. Within its own Conference limits it has grand work at two centers. The Immigrant Home, in East Boston. The hands of the superintendent, Mrs. A. C. Clark, and her faithful assistant, Miss Lillian Huff, are filled daily. It is, perhaps, more in the care of the immigrants who may come to the Home, than in the work done upon the wharf, that the greatest wisdom is needed. Characters of supposed friends of the girls are investigated, and thus a lifetime of misery, or possibly of shame, is oftentimes saved the girls. The sewing-school and neighborhood work are sources of great help to the community about the Home, and several times an orphaned little one has found comfort in Mrs. Clark's motherly arms night after night until provision could be made for it. During August and September there were more cared for in the Home than ever before in the corresponding months. The tenth anniversary, in May, was celebrated with appropriate exercises and addresses in the chapel, the annual sale and the raising of a flag, which has been a source of joy and pride to the neighborhood since it was first given to the breeze. The cost of supporting the Home was \$1,560.

The Medical Mission, at the North End of Boston, with Professor Harriette J. Cooke as superintendent, gains in influence and usefulness. During the past three months Miss H. M. Newell, a graduate of the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, has been rendering most efficient service as assistant. An increase has been made in the number of clinics held, and the people are gaining confidence in doctor and nurse. Its power as a spiritual force is not among the things that can be reported in this world. Christ's own life and mission is being brought home to the hearts of these poor, ignorant people through the lives and ministry of his followers. Barriers between Jew and Christian are being broken down, and there is less opposition than formerly from Roman Catholics. Twelve hundred different patients have been treated, the doctor has made four thousand calls, and the nurse, Miss Addie Wade, seven hundred and seventy-two calls. An appropriation of \$1,150 is to be asked for the work the coming year.

Two Auxiliaries and three Circles have been organized.

At the Conference Anniversary, held in Worcester in April, Mrs. A. F. Beiler, as the speaker of the hour, graphically portrayed her expe-

riences in Alaska. Mrs. Chapman of Ritter, and Miss Russell of Brown-ing Home, visited the Conference during the summer, and stirred our people as workers from the field always do.

With every year the work grows, and in the Master's strength we trust to be ready to enter whatever doors may open.

SARAH WYMAN FLOYD, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New England Southern Conference during the past year, all and in all, has been a grand one, and one in which we may take much pride.

Prompt and thoughtful attention has characterized every request of each district secretary, and their interest has increased the interest of every Auxiliary. At the meeting of the General Board of Managers in Baltimore last October, the Conference was pledged in the sum of \$265, and so grandly has the trust been fulfilled, that every pledge has been paid, and \$185.62 received over amount pledged. Several new Auxiliaries have been formed during the year, through the efforts of our Conference President, Mrs. T. J. Everett. In three other instances much interest was awakened, which we expect will result in the formation of successful Auxiliaries.

In view of the fact that there are twenty-five thousand members of our Church in the New England Southern Conference, and only a small proportion of them actively engaged in our work, which all must agree is of the highest importance, we trust that to the duty of enlarging our borders and strengthening our numbers our very best efforts will be given the coming year.

Our delightful paper, the *Woman's Home Missions*, in its new dress, and filled each month with so much that is instructive and interesting, is not so generally taken as it deserves; but we hope the coming year to push this part of the work, that to our zeal may be added knowledge.

The children must also be more strongly interested in this cause, or our places will not be filled, and that will mean the death of a grand work.

Knowing our duty, may we perform it so well that the coming year may be the most successful!

MRS. J. A. SOUTHARD,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

It is with gratitude we report an increase the past year of three new Auxiliaries, and continued prosperity and increased membership in many old ones.

Our pledges were more than met, and the grand total of our receipts was slightly more than last year, without counting a legacy of one hundred dollars.

In the early part of the year, Mrs. E. C. Miller, of the Yakima Mission, gave us a week's work, speaking in several Churches where there were no Auxiliaries, and at an Executive Board meeting in Manchester, N. H. Much interest was manifested, and two strong new Auxiliaries resulted before the end of the year.

The Camp-meeting Anniversaries were unusually successful. Mrs. Chapman, of Ritter Home, proved a most captivating speaker.

During the Conference session, held at Dover, N. H., a special effort

was made to distribute the Society literature, and many packages of assorted leaflets were given away, as well as Annual Reports, *Home Missions*, and children's papers. We are confident a larger interest was by this means aroused in our work. Mrs. A. F. Beiler was the speaker at our Conference Anniversary, and gave us a most instructive address on Alaska.

The Annual Meeting was held in Grace Church, Haverhill, Mass., September 23d. The Treasurer's report was a cause for thankfulness. Advance had been made in the Mothers' Jewels work, and the supply agent gave a most encouraging report.

We take up the work of another year, trusting for help in the One who has led us hitherto.

SARAH J. BRAGG,  
*President of Conference Society.*

### NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

OUR promise last year, of "earnest, faithful effort for Him who has given us the promise of the Inasmuch," has been kept in ways that are telling to the credit of those who have been in "labors abundant."

Our Conference Anniversary was made attractive and interesting by the presence of Mrs. Beiler and our National President. Two other anniversaries have been held, at Ocean City and Pitman Grove.

At Ocean City Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff presented the needs of the general work, and Miss Josephine Corbin told the story of her work as a deaconess in Philadelphia. The addresses of these speakers received marked attention, and left a good impression.

At Ocean City we found a number of the workers of the Philadelphia Conference, and Mesdames Palen and Kynett rendered helpful service.

We are glad to report that the district officers have done faithful work throughout the year, thereby enabling us to record Auxiliaries organized at New Egypt, Bradley Beach, Rancocas, and Collingswood, beside a Queen Esther Circle in Centenary Church, Camden.

When the call came for the painting of our New Jersey Home at Morristown, Tenn., the women of New Jersey Conference were delighted, because we were rich enough to pay the entire expense necessary for its "new dress." At the Baltimore meeting \$125 was pledged special to the General Treasurer. At this date the books of our Treasurer show that \$591 have been sent by our Auxiliaries to the various departments needing funds.

MRS. G. M. P. WELLS,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

OUR General Society has two institutions located within the bounds of our Conference, whose work is in the direct line of answering the prayer of the Savior, "I pray, not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil."

The Watts de Peyster Home for homeless girls, on the shores of the beautiful Hudson River, where home, parental love and care, and Christian training are being given to fifty-four girls. By and by they will step out into life, prepared, equipped, *saved*.

The Immigrant Girls' Home, in commodious new quarters, extends its arms of wise protection and love. Just across from the Barge Office, No. 9 State Street, are the wide-open doors of welcome. A white-hearted

messenger of God's love meets every ship, and saves the girls. A lost girl! Is there a note in the universe more appalling to a thoughtful heart? How many have been saved from the ways that take hold on hell! Each Conference that has assisted in this work by an annual contribution, has helped to make this possible.

Let every Conference be represented in this hand of welcome and helpfulness extended to the "stranger within our gates."

But I must tell you what we are doing as a Conference. Watts de Peyster Home and Immigrant Girls' Home are in the forefront as never before. Our supply department is strong and enthusiastic. Last year we stood only second in the list of Conferences. This year we have gained \$500. Our pledges, made at the last Annual Meeting to the various departments of the work, eleven in number, were all met, and we have come this year prepared to more than double the amount of these pledges.

We have secured during the year eleven beneficiaries to Watts de Peyster Home, besides large contributions to this fund in the General Society. We have also made one dear woman new to our work an Honorary Life Manager, through her generous gifts to the Society of more than three hundred dollars. A bequest of five hundred dollars from Miss Hilah S. Russell was given largely to the Western work. We have not gained this year in number of Auxiliaries, but we have gained in number of members and in number of subscribers, both to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, and also in mite-box work. Our treasurer reports in totals \$3,443 for the year. One of the most delightful things of the year has been the furnishing of a room in the Bancroft Rest Home at Ocean Grove, and naming it for our much loved and honored National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, who is one of our most active, interested members of the New York Conference Society.

MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

TIME flies so rapidly, and the year seems so short for all we would like to accomplish in it, that as we look back it seems but yesterday we stood here in your presence, prophesying the bright things we hoped might be in the coming year for New York East Conference Society, and lo! we are here again to tell of their fulfillment.

Our Conference all-day meetings, held quarterly, have been seasons of refreshing indeed. Our National President has been with us at every meeting, aiding by her counsel and inspiring us by her presence.

At the Conference Anniversary in March, Mrs. Beiler won all hearts to sympathetic action in aid of Alaska, after which the service for the dedication of deaconesses was held, and three new deaconesses took upon themselves the vows of devotion to God in this important line of service.

In the January meeting Mrs. Hazlett presented Young People's Work, and Mrs. Miller the Indian question.

At the May meeting we were favored with the presence of Mrs. Park, of New York, and Mrs. Frost, of Newark, who rallied us on the subject of Reading Circles. Drs. Dunton and Bulkly, of Claflin University, spoke in high praise of the work and character of our girls in Simpson Home, Orangeburg. Dr. Henderson, the pastor, as also Dr. Iglehardt, at a previous meeting held at his Church, greatly encouraged us by his eloquent words of commendation and approval.

Our district meetings, held each month, have also been real Ebenezers, from which we have come with fresh desires and high resolves and new enthusiasm for the work.

We have met the pledges made for the year, and more: Alaska, Tivoli Home, Deaconess Rest Home, Stickney Home, Rust Hall, Harwood Home, Immigrant Home, the Emergency Fund, Missionary Salary Fund, and our own Deaconess Home all sharing in our contributions, beside our local work, in which \$640 was expended.

Then we have the most indefatigable Secretary of Supplies, who this year reports \$2,515.15 sent out from her department, good substantial help to cheer and comfort our brethren and sisters on the frontier.

Our Deaconess Board had kindly set apart a fine, large room in the Home as a guest chamber, where the Woman's Home Missionary Society might have the privilege of entertaining a visitor at any time, and the Conference Society was planning to furnish it, when Mrs. J. O. Peck, a very efficient member of the Deaconess Board, asked that she might have the pleasure of doing so for us, in memory of Dr. J. O. Peck, our recent Missionary Secretary; and now we have a most beautifully and completely furnished room, which will be the delight of all Conference visitors.

During the year four new organizations were formed, three Auxiliaries and one Circle. The list of subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* has been recently increased through the efforts of our earnest secretary, Mrs. Bryant, whose voice is heard at our meetings pleading the cause of the paper, which is so attractive in its new dress. A spirit of real Home Missionary zeal seems abroad in the Conference, and we have several Churches only waiting for Mrs. Woodruff's silver tongue, which has always been so potent in our Conference, to woo them to our ranks.

Day is dawning, the outlook is broadening, Home Mission work is winning its way to the hearts and homes of "New York East."

MRS. CLARA H. CARHART, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE is situated in the northwest corner of the State of New York. It reaches from the Mohawk River in Central New York, to the Canadian border on the north, and from the Adirondacks on the east, to Lake Ontario, St. Lawrence, and the Thousand Islands on the west. In primitive Colonial times it was the hunting-ground of the Iroquois Indians. French adventurers and priests were the first white men to visit these forests, as they ascended the St. Lawrence on their excursions of discovery, and in their missionary journeys as they sought to Christianize the Aborigines of the North American Continent.

After the War for Independence it was settled by Revolutionary soldiers, and their descendants largely compose the citizens of this portion of New York State. They have always been the patrons of education and religion, and all the organizations for the amelioration of the conditions of our people have received their cordial support.

Our Society has always received favorable consideration in this Conference, and its work and usefulness was never more appreciated than at the present. We are aiding by our contributions beneficiaries in the following Homes: Ritter, New Jersey, Bennett, King, Jesse Lee, Stickney, Dulce, Watts de Peyster, Mothers' Jewels, and Rest Home, and a scholarship in the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school at Washington, D. C., has become established. We have given the Immigrant Home at New York some aid during the year.

Mrs. F. V. Chapman, superintendent of Ritter Home, spent a few

days within the bounds of our Conference, and presented the claims of our Homes and the work of the General Society to our people. All the district organizations in the Conference have been in active operation and also our Auxiliaries during the past year. The Conference officers have been increasingly efficient by reason of their experience in the work. Our Conference Treasurer's clear statement of our financial work not only shows what has been accomplished, but is a source of inspiration to our people.

As the boundaries of our Woman's Home Missionary work extend to Alaska, to the Hawaiian Islands, to Cuba, to Porto Rico, and possibly to the far-away Philippines, keeping pace with the extending boundaries of our country, our people begin to realize more and more the work and scope of our Society, and that we are an important factor in the life of our country, as she goes forward in her manifested destiny.

ALICE G. HUNT, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting of the North Indiana Conference Society was held in Huntington, Indiana, in June.

The reports of the Conference officers exhibited a measure of growth, which was not only gratifying, but full of encouragement, the footings being larger than any previous year.

Four Auxiliaries, three Circles, and two Bands have been organized.

The Treasurer's report showed an increase of thirty-three per cent in cash over last year. The contributions to the Emergency Fund were two hundred and seventy-two dollars.

Our special work has been the support of a missionary, scholarship in Ritter and Bennett Homes, and contributions have been sent to Oriental Work, Rust Hall, Asheville, Dulce Building Fund, and Mothers' Jewels Home.

Quite generously have our members responded to the calls of our Supplies Secretary. Through our efficient Mite-box Secretary a large number of boxes have found their way into homes, not only of members of our Society, but have been introduced into Churches where we have not yet organized. These may be "John the Baptist" for organizations later.

The National Training-school interests are being looked after; quite a number of the pledge cards have been distributed. We expect one young lady from our Conference to enter the training-school to prepare for a deaconess.

The papers and addresses at our Convention were rich in thought and of practical helpfulness.

We were greatly delighted to have with us Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss L. A. Gaddis, to whom we are largely indebted for their inspiring addresses, resulting in a more enthusiastic devotion to the interest of the Society.

Among other things we effected an organization of a "Society at Large," to be known as the "Elizabeth Rust" Auxiliary. Through this new organization we provide for the contributions of those interested in our work in churches where we have no Auxiliaries.

As the Conference Contingent Fund was not sufficient to carry on the work of the Society, it was increased to ten cents per member.

We will use all mite-box money in paying the salary of Miss Flora Mitchel, who has been supported by our Conference for several years.

Our districts are all organized, holding successful meetings, and, with their efficient officers, are energetically and loyally looking after the interest committed to their trust.

Through the courtesy of our ministers, our work has been presented at the District Ministerial Meetings, which has proven very helpful.

Our Conference Anniversary Meeting was one of more than ordinary interest. The large church was crowded with an attentive audience while the Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., of Utah, delivered a masterly address. His opportunities for personal observation of what our Society is doing, especially through Utah, empowered him to present in a forceful way facts showing some of the fruits of our work. His admirable address, giving an insight into the practical operations of our Society, made a most favorable impression, winning us many friends.

Thank-offering Day was quite generally observed, and in some Auxiliaries with excellent collections.

The Day of Humiliation and Prayer has proven of special blessing, enlisting our hearts more sympathetically in the work.

Grateful for the reports of the year, yet not content, the success in the past encourages us to anticipate larger results in the future.

MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NORTH NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of the North Nebraska Conference sends greetings! The Annual Meeting of this Conference was held at Fremont, July 7th and 8th. We believe our Society is on a more substantial basis than before, though our increase in membership is small. Our Auxiliaries are securing more Home Missionary literature, thus becoming better acquainted with the work; hence more interested in it. Our treasurer's report shows a good increase of finances over last year. Our efforts have been principally concentrated on Mothers' Jewels Home and the men of God who are laboring on the frontier of our own State.

The Thank-offering program was carried out in some of the Auxiliaries with good result.

Our Society was represented at the camp-meeting of three districts, the anniversary held at Schuyler September 30th.

With prayers for added blessing, we leave our work in the hands of Him who alone can give lasting victory.

CYNTHIA ESPLIN,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

THOSE of us who had the privilege of our Baltimore meeting, remember the exhortation of our president at the closing session, to be more courageous and consecrated than ever, followed by the fervent pleading of our Bishop Walden that the Holy Spirit might come to every heart, bringing new inspiration for our work. We went away feeling that it had been to us a Mount of Transfiguration. Thanksgiving for being allied in service with those who had accomplished such Christ-like work filled our hearts. Faith was strong, and bade us expect new fields to open, and old ones to be strengthened and developed. In some respects hope has been disappointed. Our reports are not all we had desired. The answer of our sons and brothers to our country's call, in

some cases diverted thought and money to that no less needed missionary work.

Our Annual Meeting, held in Cleveland in November, was a great source of inspiration. The devotional meetings were so marked by the Divine presence, that all hearts were made better. Right loyally the officers elected bent to their work, but we knew we must lean heavily upon our lay members. After all, they are the foundation of our whole work. This report can not paint the faithful service in unofficial places; the toil, and sacrifice, and prayer that have been given. By means of these we have been able to help our work in Alaska, the Bennett, Ritter, E. L. Rust, and Allen Homes, our Indian and Oriental work, and have contributed toward the support of a deaconess in our National Training-school, besides sending many a barrel of supplies to our Homes and frontier parsonages.

We have organized during the year three new Auxiliaries and one Band.

At the session of our Annual Conference we are given one afternoon for our anniversary, and the privilege of a report in the Conference Minutes. Our exercises this year were full of interest, and we were again able to report a cash increase.

We look forward to the work of another year with prayer and faith, trusting that our past experiences will be our helps to grander achievements and nobler conquests "In His Name."

MRS. A. D. KNAPP,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NORTHWEST INDIANA CONFERENCE.

WHILE our Conference is not doing all we hope to see it do, we are thankful for the growing interest. Until this year but two of the districts were organized, where now we have four in working order. The fifth will be organized at our Annual Meeting in November. The work has gone slowly for several reasons. Foreign Missionary Societies are strong in many places, and it has been thought impossible to retain interest in both. Then we have lacked Contingent Fund, making it necessary to do all that has been done by correspondence. We have organized during the year seven Auxiliaries, four Circles, two Bands, and two Mothers' Jewels.

A few more years of faithful service from interested officers will bring Northwest Indiana to the front. For we are faithful Methodists, and loyal to the flag.

IDA M. GIBSON,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NORTHWEST IOWA CONFERENCE.

To God be all the glory for his overruling power in preserving our Conference Society work from more seriously declining this year! Illness of self and loved ones has seriously crippled my effectiveness. The Conference and district officers have been kindly helpful, and the Auxiliaries very forbearing. We greatly appreciate the strengthening of our work by the removal of Mrs. M. C. Hickman and daughter Charlotte to our Conference. Professor Bancroft spoke for us one Sabbath and one week-day evening, greatly strengthening two Auxiliaries and organizing one. The superintendent of Bidwell Deaconess Home spoke at a District Convention, and Miss Miner, of Washington, D. C., at our Conference



Anniversary. The results of these helps have been far-reaching for good. Dr. W. S. Lewis, president of Morning Side (Sioux City) College, did excellent service by addresses at our Conference Society annual business meeting and Conference Anniversary.

Although we have somewhat declined in membership, etc., we sent to General Treasurer and Des Moines Deaconess Home \$29.58 more than last year. The removal of several of our Conference and district officers has been a serious loss to our work. Three Auxiliaries, two Circles, and one Band have been organized during the year by Conference and district officers. Some have waned and some given up from lack of assistance heretofore given. Epworth Leagues have assisted in the support of two of the three girls that went this year to the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school from our Conference. Beneficiaries have been supported in Jesse Lee, Stickney, Chinese Girls, and King Homes. Three hundred dollars have been paid toward salary of Miss Gibson, and we have contributed to Bidwell Deaconess Home and Mothers' Jewel Home, to the Leaflet Fund, and \$166.51 to the Emergency Fund.

The Recording Secretary of our Iowa State Association serves in same capacity for our Conference Society. She compiled the excellent singing-book, "White Wings of Peace," for Woman's Missionary meetings.

Thank-offering and Day of Humiliation and Prayer services were observed by more Auxiliaries this year than ever before. A large part of these offerings were sent to the Emergency Fund.

Aunt Jemima Baking Powder is becoming an established adjunct in the finances of many Auxiliaries.

More and more are our people learning concerning the Woman's Home Missionary Society work, and loving it. In proportion to faithfulness and reliance on the Holy Spirit in this service are the workers brought nearer Him whose work it is.

Mrs. J. P. NEGUS,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## NORTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

It is with gratitude to God, the Giver of every perfect gift, that I make this, my first report for the Northwest Kansas Conference. We have at Mankato, Kansas, an Auxiliary, the first, I think, organized in the Conference. The membership of our Salina Auxiliary is increasing, and they are doing good work for the Master. I have received no report from the Solomon Auxiliary, but believe it to be alive. We have organized since Conference an Auxiliary at Plainville, with twelve members; one at Lincoln Center, with ten members. The Beloit, Ellsworth, and Salina Districts are organized, and as we, as a people, learn more of the work, we hope we may be more efficient.

Our Conference Anniversary at Minneapolis was well attended, and good interest in the work was manifest.

I am not able to report the number of Home Mission papers taken in our Conference, but am certain it is small, compared to what it ought to be. We are trusting in God for wisdom, and hope we may, by the grace of God, push on the work with increasing energy.

Mrs. ISAIAH MCDOWELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE Ohio Conference has made some gains during the past year, especially among the organizations of the young people. An increased interest has been manifested in the amount for beneficiaries and from mite-boxes. The Emergency Fund has been particularly remembered by London District, which includes Delaware, Ohio.

An attempt was made to use Mrs. Chapman, the matron of Ritter Home, in Ohio Conference, but the indifference of the majority of the ministers, and of Churches in general, rendered the attempt impracticable.

We feel the need of the work of an Organizer in our Conference, for it seems very difficult to obtain new organizations through the efforts of local officers.

We are pleased to note the successful work of Miss Abbey S. Putnam, who has completed her first year's work as superintendent of Bennett Home, Clarkston, Miss. Miss Putnam went from Columbus, Ohio, to her work at this Home.

One hundred and fifty dollars was raised by Columbus District alone for her salary.

At the Conference meeting in September, at Newark, Ohio renewed support was recommended and pledged for the same lines of work as for last year. At this meeting we were privileged to listen to a most stirring address from one of the younger members of the Board of Managers, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr.

MRS. F. A. SELLS,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

THE outlook for effective work in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Philadelphia Conference was never more promising than at present. The work is deepening and widening in interest.

We are greatly encouraged by the continual success of our Society, and are expecting great things in the future. Our pledges made at the Annual Meetings for different departments of work are being met; among them \$150 for naming and furnishing room in the Rest Home at Ocean Grove; also \$100 for the National Training-school in Washington. Our response to the Emergency Fund has been gratifying, and we intend to still be interested until the whole amount, \$20,000, is raised.

Our patron, Colonel James M. Bennett, has been called away from this life. At his obsequies, tributes to his benevolence in the interest of children and women were given. Not the least of these was the Deaconess Home. He not only gave the original building, but supplemented it by adding the adjoining Home, after he had fitted it up with all the modern conveniences and appointments, at a cost of \$4,000, greatly enlarging the scope and furnishing us for this most admirable work, the character of which is religious, missionary, industrial, and educational. The formal opening and dedication of the annex took place on Thursday, March 31, 1898. The building was dedicated by Rev. A. J. Kynett, D. D. After the opening services, the Annex was formally presented by the donor, and received by our president, Mrs. C. W. Bickley. The Home has been furnished by Auxiliary and Bands, and now presents a beautiful home-like appearance. The lunch-room is in the annex, where we are able to supply the best lunch at a nominal sum, and we cordially invite

girls who have small remittance. A Bazar was held in November, at 609 Vine Street, for the benefit of the Home, and the Committee report a net sum of \$576. We are also pleased to report a legacy of \$475 from Mrs. Mary Hensall, to be used for deaconess work. On last Christmas-day seventy-five children were entertained; on December 28th one hundred and seventeen children and their mothers, from the neighborhood of the original Immigrant Home and Bainbridge Street, were served with a turkey dinner, and each child a recipient of a gift through the generosity of Park Avenue Church. Through the kindness of Strawbridge & Clothier, four large wagons were furnished to convey children to the church.

Our Deaconess Home is every year exerting an influence for good, that eternity alone will tell. While naturally it claims a great deal of our time, interest, and means, we are not confining our influence here, but reaching out our hand to far-away Alaska, New Mexico, the Frontier, to the Indians, and back to our own loved city, helping through our deaconesses the needy and afflicted. The family of our Deaconess Home is presided over by our faithful superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney, who is indeed a mother to the family. An innovation this year was in sending our deaconesses to help pastors in evangelistic work. This has been a pronounced success. They have, by their modesty and earnestness, won their way into the hearts of the people, and much good has been done for the Master. Most encouraging letters have been received from the different pastors with whom they labored, speaking in most commendatory terms of their work. During January and February seven Churches were served by our deaconesses.

We have rooms fitted up at 609 Vine Street for immigrant work. We also hope in the future to increase facilities on this most noble and Christly work. Our deaconesses meet the incoming steamers, and if a young girl, friendless, arrives, she is looked after and helped to find employment.

Our Conference Anniversary, held in Chester, March 18, 1898, was a pronounced success. The addresses made by our superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney, and the Rev. Wallace MacMullen, D. D., were soul-stirring and inspiring. Our district meetings have been held, and full of interest and profit. We have been fortunate this year to have with us to make addresses, Mrs. C. L. Roach, Professor Henrietta Bancroft, and Mrs. A. F. Beiler, each in her own strong individuality presenting the work, and doing us good.

This brief and imperfect outlining of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary work of the Philadelphia Conference fills our minds with reverent gratitude to God for his continued blessing upon our labors, and inspires us to redoubled efforts to enter every open door, and carry forward to greater results the mission that his providence has laid upon us. One of our workers has said: "What gracious work that Christian women can undertake for their more unfortunate and sorrowing sisters in America is there that, in some form or another, the Woman's Home Missionary Society is not striving to accomplish?"

(Mrs.) M. B. STEVENS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society is on a firmer basis in the Pittsburg Conference than ever before. This has been the best year of its existence. There has been more interest and more intelligence in the work, and consequently greater contributions and a large increase in

membership have been the result. Three new organizations have been formed. One Society has increased from thirty-six to ninety-one members, and another has more than doubled its numbers. Our Conference has during the year, besides the amount it has contributed to the General Fund and to the Emergency Fund, supported its own Deaconess Home, at a cost of nearly eighteen hundred dollars, paid over one thousand dollars towards the purchase of our Deaconess Home, employed two women in our "Coke Mission" work during the summer months, also two in our "Traveler's Aid" work, paid over six hundred dollars to "Special Funds," and has made a large increase in the value of supplies sent.

We hope next year to do much more and better work.

(MRS.) M. J. SCHÖYER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary work in Puget Sound Conference is moving on very successfully, I think. I confidently expect that we shall go up to Conference with a better report than ever before. We have it to regret that some of our Auxiliaries have given up the work, but our President and Organizer has been working very hard and very successfully. She has organized seven new Auxiliaries, several Bands, one Mission Circle, one Mizpah Guards, and has revived and strengthened a number of old ones. We have at least twenty active Auxiliaries, two Mission Circles, quite a number of Bands, one Mizpah Guards; a membership of 250 in Auxiliaries, at least 50 in Circles and Bands. I am not able to give the number of papers taken at present.

VINA I. CLARK, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE.

THE great outside world has moved with such majestic strides through the past year, that our own little affairs seem to lose all proportion in comparison. Nevertheless, as "all are but parts of one stupendous whole," this gives us in our measure an enlarged opportunity, and consequent enlarged obligations.

Extensive repairs at the Marcy Home, with insurance to be renewed and pavement paid for, have largely increased our expenses. Our internal economy has also been much more expensive, on account of the enlargement of the work. But while we have worked in various ways, and with increasing expense, for the more complete establishment of the work within the bounds of our own Conference, we have had an interest in the affairs of the Society at large. Money has been sent to the Emergency Fund, beneficiaries sustained in the schools, and something contributed to the National Training-school.

The Dispensary was opened about the middle of January. For several weeks we had very few patients. From date of opening till the present time we have treated one hundred and forty-two cases.

Since our last report several meetings of a good deal of interest have been held. The Rockford District meeting, held at Elgin, was a two days' meeting, a meeting of thorough deliberation and profit. The Freeport District meeting, held at Lena, was a union meeting of the Foreign and Home Societies; a very profitable and cordial meeting of the two organizations. Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson made the address at the evening

session of both of these meetings. Her rare eloquence captivated every heart. Our best wishes follow her to her far Western home, whither she is gone on account of her husband's impaired health. Every good cause she has left behind will miss her beautiful advocacy.

Our midsummer quarterly-meeting at Waukegan was a success, and an occasion thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Our Conference Anniversary was well attended. Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers made a very able address.

The Monday morning meeting of the preachers of Chicago and vicinity was recently held in the chapel of the Home. Lunch was served to one hundred and fifty at the close of the regular exercises, after which the needs of the evangelistic services at the Home were presented, and pledges for the support of the pastor secured in behalf of the City Missionary Society. We have to record the obligation we have been under to this Society from the beginning of our work in the city. It was undertaken at the suggestion of the lamented Dr. Hitchcock, at that time secretary of this Society, which has always borne a large part in the support of our Sunday service. Dr. A. D. Traveller, his successor, has been our staunch friend from the beginning.

Two new Auxiliaries have been formed this year, which give promise of strength. Some are reported weak, or unorganized, for want of efficient leadership.

Miss Fowler, superintendent of the Home, has many calls to represent our interests, and this, with other influences, is gradually undermining ignorance and prejudice, the two most formidable foes to advancement.

The General Board of Managers will this year aid our enterprise by helping to discharge the debt on the building. This will place a property worth \$30,000, free from all incumbrance, in the hands of the Society, and set us all free from the burden that has rested upon us as a Conference organization for ten years past. An entailed property of considerable value has been left in our favor during the past year. A member of the Evanston Auxiliary while she lived, Mrs. Emily A. Woodson bequeathed her dying legacy to its needs, and although there is not, according to the terms indicated, any immediate benefit, yet it is proper to record with gratitude this kind remembrance of a long-time friend in behalf of our Society.

E. E. MARCY,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

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## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society has completed another year of its history, and although it has occurred in perilous times of extreme drouth and during the intense excitement of war, the report of this work is one of which every member may well be proud. Our Conference Society has been organized twelve years, and each year has steadily advanced beyond the preceding one, until we have organizations in sixty-nine of the one hundred and fourteen charges in the Conference.

The Chinese work has been faithfully done by Mrs. Davis in Los Angeles, and Miss Phillips (deaconess) in San Diego. There have been a few conversions among the women.

Mrs. Lau, who was converted two years ago, is at our school in San Francisco, supported by First Church Auxiliary, Los Angeles.

Five deaconesses have been employed during the past year in the Conference. It has been the source of great regret that Miss Spaulding,

who has been superintendent from the opening of the Home here, has been obliged to resign her position on account of failing health.

The pledge of \$1,500 for the "Frontier" has been met.

The support of one scholar has been sent to Alaska, that land soon to have Territorial Government, and that one day may become the richest State in the Republic,—that land of gold; but where sin and superstition reigns, and where the only gospel light-house upon that far Western shore of Unalaska is our Jesse Lee Home.

We support one scholar, also, in the Spanish-Mexican school in Albuquerque.

The Annual Meeting was held in Los Angeles July 15th, in First Church. The officers were re-elected, with the exception of the Secretaries of Young People's and Juvenile Work. Mrs. L. R. Robinson takes the former, and Mrs. Dr. Brodbeck the latter.

District meetings and Rallies were held at Boyle Heights and Asbury Churches, Los Angeles; Fresno, Ventura, and Saticoy, Redlands, Highgrove, Lordsburg, San Diego, and Garden Grove.

Public meetings have been held at Long Beach and Ventura Camp-meetings.

The Conference Anniversary was held on Friday afternoon, September 23d, at Santa Barbara. The speakers were Mrs. E. W. Caswell and Mrs. Kate W. Sprowls.

One member of the Executive Board has been removed from our presence by the hand of death,—the District Manager for San Diego District, Mrs. T. H. B. Chamblin, who died April 13th. In her death the Woman's Home Missionary Society has lost one of its most staunch and faithful officers, and the Riverside Auxiliary its most competent and enthusiastic president. She has gone from her labors to her eternal reward.

The greatest event of the year in missionary circles is the many opening doors among the islands of the sea inviting missionary toil. Hawaii and the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico, will soon open up a wonderful field for our work, and then the Woman's Home Missionary Society will reach around the world. Almighty God is bringing the islands of the sea to our very doors, and we are no more to hear the cry, "America for Americans," but "America for the world." This has always been the theory of Home Missions, "Save America, and you will save the world."

Truly the words of prophecy are finding glorious fulfillment during the past few months. "He shall not fail nor be discouraged till He have set judgment in the earth and the isles shall wait for His law." Islands that have been locked in a dungeon of darkness by the hand of tyranny are suddenly beholding the light of a new era, ushered in by the sun of American Liberty. The flag of the cross, borne by Home Missionary women, is speedily following the Stars and Stripes to every island where Old Glory floats as a symbol of freedom.

MRS. E. W. CASWELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

DURING the session of our Annual Conference, held last March, one-half day was given to the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Conference officers were elected, and sufficient interest was aroused to organize an Auxiliary at Springfield, the seat of the Conference.

When we consider that we have only five Auxiliaries in a territory extending over the entire southern portion of the great State of Missouri, we feel that we have scarcely more than a foothold for our beloved

Home Missionary Society. But the first six months have not been altogether discouraging. Grand Avenue Auxiliary, Kansas City, with a membership of more than one hundred and one life member, is always enthusiastic and hopeful. They have been doing excellent supply work, and are ready to take some special work at once. At Independence Avenue Church, Kansas City, one of the largest and most influential in the Conference, a strong Auxiliary has been organized. We look forward to the coming year, hoping, praying that interests may be quickened, the work broadened, and remembering that

"Not to the strong is the battle,  
Not to the swift is the race;  
But to the true and the faithful  
Victory cometh through grace."

MRS. JOHN W. BUSH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### SOUTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

OUR Annual Meeting was held June 28th and 29th, and was well attended by both delegates and visitors. While we have not reached our ideal, we have pressed toward it. We greatly wish we were able to report a large increase in the number of Auxiliaries. Our great need is district officers who will take an active interest in organizing the work in the charges of their respective districts. The Auxiliaries have done well, perhaps not all they might have done; but all have shown an increased interest.

At our last Conference Anniversary we were favored with an excellent talk on our work by Bishop Earl Cranston.

Our pledges have all been redeemed, and the new year upon which we have entered promises much.

The Conference at its last session approved the action of our Conference Society in proposing to assume the support of a Deaconess Home, to be established in the city of Wichita, Kansas, and pledged the hearty co-operation of the Conference in this work. At our Annual Meeting we matured plans and adopted a Constitution, which was approved by the Conference Deaconess Board, and pastors and people have entered with enthusiasm into this new enterprise, which promises to be a success.

Our Deaconess Home was formally opened the 1st of September. Two deaconesses will be employed in the work. We have already received one hundred dollars for the purchase of a permanent Home, and a donation of one hundred dollars to send a young woman to the training-school at Washington, D. C., during the coming year. Our faith reaches out for greater things for the future of our work in this Conference. For all that we have been able to do in the past, and for all these encouragements for the future, we return thanks unto God, to whom all the glory belongs.

MRS. W. J. MARTINDALE,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### TROY CONFERENCE.

THE work in our Conference has varied little from that of other years. About the same lines of work have been sustained as last year, with the addition of raising funds to name and furnish a room in Bancroft Rest Home at Ocean Grove.

We have contributed to the support of beneficiaries in the Chinese

Mission in San Francisco; in the Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska; Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.; Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.; the Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.; New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.; and at the Apache Mission, Dulce, N. M. Have also contributed to the Navajo Mission, N. M., and the Emergency Fund.

The department of supplies has been well cared for under the management of Mrs. A. D. Lyon.

The greatest advancement has been made in the distribution of mite-boxes. Over three hundred have been given out, and about one hundred Mothers' Jewels mite-boxes; also a large number of leaflets have been distributed.

The Thank-offering service has been more largely observed, and there has been an increase in subscribers to the *Children's Home Missions*.

I am unable to give a correct report of *Woman's Home Missions*, but think that the increase in price has not decreased the subscriptions largely, while many expressions of approval have been heard on the improved condition of the paper.

Our Conference is very well organized, so that we can not report large increase in organizations. Three Auxiliaries, two Circles, and one Band have been organized this year.

We were greatly encouraged and inspired by the address of our National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, at our Conference Anniversary, and on the following Sunday, at Fifth Avenue Church, Troy, and Third Avenue, Watervliet, N. Y., where she gave addresses at the regular services.

Mrs. Anna Kent was with us at two district meetings in June, and awakened great interest in Bancroft Rest Home, taking pledges for more than the required sum for furnishing our room in that Home. We had previously raised one hundred dollars to name the room.

We are about to send another student to the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, making the sixth from our Conference to enter that institution. At Glens Falls we now have a deaconess from the Syracuse Home. A growing interest seems to be manifested among our workers, and we are encouraged to press forward, trying to bring greater success to our beloved cause.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

## UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE.

A YEAR ago we expressed our gratitude, in that we were able to report an advance along all lines of our work.

In spite of the fact of the long illness in the home of the secretary, which prevented her from doing any field work during the last year, and that the president, Mrs. Gould, was also unable to do the usual amount, yet when we sum up the labors of the faithful Auxiliaries and the district officers, together with the department secretaries, we find that they have outstripped all previous records of the Conference Society, the grand total in cash and supplies being \$3,870.48.

Two hundred and fifty seven dollars and four cents in cash was expended in new goods for our faithful ministers on the frontier.

An encouraging advance has been made in the mite-box department, through the efforts of the secretary, Mrs. Black.

All our pledges are more than met, and a generous amount paid toward the Emergency Fund.

Our local missionary to the Bohemians in Cedar Rapids, Mrs. De Castello, gave a large amount of painstaking service to her field.



Two young women, Miss Clara Alward and Miss Bessie Collins, entered the Training-school at Washington this year, to prepare themselves for deaconess work. Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss Ida Miner ably represented the deaconess department during their visits to the Conference.

Pledges for the present fiscal year:	
Bidwell Deaconess Home, Des Moines.....	\$200
Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.....	400
Training-school at Washington, D. C.....	100
For Field Work in Conference.....	100
Bohemian Work, Cedar Rapids.....	100
Rust Hall.....	100
King Home, Marshall, Texas.....	50
Hospital at Unalaska, Alaska.....	50
Immigrant Work, New York.....	25
Stickney Home, Washington.....	25
Oriental.....	50
Total .....	\$1,200

With gratitude to Him whose we are, and whom we serve, I submit this report.

MARGARET ALSPAUGH,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### VERMONT CONFERENCE.

As we look back over the year, we find that our Society has not made much advancement. No new Auxiliaries have been organized.

We were gratified to have with us Mrs. Anna Kent at our Annual Meeting in Waterbury last November. Mrs. A. H. Webb was re-elected president.

At our Conference Anniversary Mrs. Anna F. Beiler was very cordially received. Our work was presented at three camp-meetings with good results. Only one district meeting has been held. We mean to do more and better work in the coming year.

(MRS.) ALTHA L. RICHMOND, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### WEST NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of West Nebraska Conference was held at Holdrege, September 15th, during the session of Conference.

We were fortunate in securing the assistance of Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, who, in her interesting address upon the different departments of our work, did excellent service for our cause in this Conference. Her earnest words and appeal for the needy and oppressed in our own land, who are without the privileges of the gospel, will not soon be forgotten.

Our Organizer, Sister Collins, has organized several mite-box Societies during the year. Thirty-six dollars was raised in this way. Most of this was sent to the Mothers' Jewels Home at York. Last May it was my privilege to visit the Home at York, called there by Sister Negus, Chairman of the Advisory Board. I was very favorably impressed with the Home and its surroundings, and with the care and love shown towards the children, and the attachment of the children for Brother and Sister

Spurlock. Our West Nebraska Conference room is nicely furnished with iron bedsteads, contributed from this Conference. Miss Reeves, who went from us to enter the National Training-school at Washington, D. C., graduated from there last June. She is an enthusiastic Home Missionary worker, and very acceptable to the people.

Thirty copies of *Woman's Home Missions* are taken in our Conference. About three hundred dollars worth of supplies were distributed on the districts during the year. Our work is steadily gaining ground, and the Auxiliaries have done good work the past year.

MRS. E. SMITH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

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### WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

WE are glad to report an increased interest in the West Texas Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. Our thirteenth anniversary was held at Waco, Texas, December 11th. We were pleased to have with us Mrs. Dr. S. J. Pye, of St. Louis, who, by request, gave the address. We have tried to solicit the sympathy of every woman in our Church. The Auxiliaries, as a whole, have had much local work to do this year. Our five District Associations were held during the summer months, and the effect has been for good. We have organized twelve new Auxiliaries, three "Mothers' Jewels," and reorganized two older Auxiliaries. We are trying to make the Woman's Home Missionary Society a power in our Conference.

E. S. SPRIGGS,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary*.

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### WEST WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the West Wisconsin Conference is steadily advancing throughout the bounds of the Conference. The experiences of previous years have in them untold benefit and wealth to many of us. We understand better how to manage and plan the work, so as to create greater interest. I can not report as rapid growth as I would like to; still I feel we ought not to be discouraged. We can report five more Auxiliaries than last year, and a much larger membership. There has been no one department of work taken up especially.

Some Auxiliaries have contributed to the deaconess fund, some to the Mothers' Jewels Home, some to the Watts de Peyster Home; while others have sent boxes and barrels of goods to the frontier work, all caring well for their local work. We have but one district thoroughly organized. The other four have lately had good managers appointed, so we are looking forward to the coming year for better results.

One feature of our hope of success is that our ministers and their wives seem to be more interested in Home Missionary work than ever before. They see the need of the work as never before, and they realize that new fields are opening up for their consideration.

I wish I could tell you of the great uplift and encouragement we all received from the visits of Professor Bancroft and Miss Durham. Their visits will long be remembered. Professor Bancroft spent a short time at the Platteville Camp-meeting. All were delighted with her fine address, and profited by the counsel given. Miss Durham gave nearly three weeks of her time in this Conference. Her first visit was to the Viroqua Camp-meeting. She made addresses at Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Madi-

son, Augusta, Chippewa Falls, New Richmond, Durand, and Spring Creek. She spent a few days in Eau Claire, where the Annual Conference was in session. Bishop Ninde received her very cordially, introduced her to the Conference, and invited her to sing. She immediately won all hearts, so that when it was announced that Miss Durham was to give the anniversary address for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, all were on hand to hear her. She held her large, appreciative audience spellbound for nearly two hours with her sweet songs and eloquent address. To show the appreciation of her audience, she asked for a collection of fifty dollars, and received seventy-eight. Surely there are abundant reasons for thanking God, and taking courage to undertake greater things In His Name.

MRS. M. BENSON,

*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

DURING the year now closing we have been greatly encouraged by the increased interest in Home Mission work throughout our Conference. No doubt many opportunities for good have been lost, yet as we review the work of the year we find commendable advance has been made in many directions. Shortly after our return from the Annual Meeting last year we wrote to each of our Auxiliaries, telling them what the special work for the year was to be, and called attention to the need of renewed earnestness and zeal on the part of each member. The result was that the last of March found the money pledged in Baltimore in the hands of the treasurer. Our faithful Recording Secretary, Mrs. Washington Hastings, then conceived the idea of furnishing a room in Bancroft Rest Home, as a memorial to our late friend and pastor, Rev. Merritt Hulburd, who realized so fully what this Society was to this country, and who was always ready to lend a helping hand.

Scholarships have been continued in the Jesse Lee, Stickney, and the Mothers' Jewels Homes. Aid has been given to the Chinese and Italian work, to the Indians, and money to the General and Emergency Funds.

Valuable supplies have been sent from a number of Auxiliaries. Our work in this line has been in the way of helping our Industrial Schools and Homes, as well as our ministers and their families on the frontiers.

The departments of Home Missions, Reading Circles, Mite-boxes, Leaflets, and the Mothers' Jewels are looked after by competent Conference Secretaries. For the first time this year the young people had an Annual Meeting for their own reports and varied interests. The presence and address of Mrs. Hazlett, our National Secretary of Young People's Work, met the response of an appreciative audience, and won friends to the Society. A Circle of young women, organized just before the Annual Meeting last year, has been abundant in good works, and contributed to the work very nearly two hundred dollars.

Some new organizations have been made. One deserves special mention. An Auxiliary was formed in the Church at Cambridge, Md., by the wife of the pastor, Mrs. Dr. Hadway, and gives promise of good work in the days to come. One Auxiliary has had most of its life taken out by the vexed question, What is Local Work? To me it seems better to have an Auxiliary of thirty-five or forty women in a Church who regularly send their one dollar dues to the General Treasurer, even if they do little else than local work, than to have none at all. We have been most fortunate in official visitors. Our honored President, Mrs. Fisk, and Mrs. Kent were present at the Annual Meeting in March; Miss Kirstine Peterson, of the Baltimore Deaconess Home, at the Conference Anni-

versary; Mrs. Chapman, of Ritter Home, at a camp-meeting service; and Mrs. Hazlett for the Annual Meeting of the Young People. Mrs. Chapman remained on the camp-ground several days, and organized our first Camp-meeting Association for Home Missionary Work. The Conference Board meets regularly, with large attendance. Two district meetings have been held, with stimulating results. One great need of the work in this Conference is to find earnest Christian women who have a mind to the work, to care for Bands, Circles, and Leagues after they are organized. The young people are eager and anxious to work, and with good leaders could accomplish great things. We are sorry we have not done better work and secured larger results, but we hope some seed has been sown to bring forth an abundant harvest in the years to come.

EMMA L. WELDIN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

As we review the work in Wisconsin Conference, we find our hearts filled with gratitude to God for his constant and gracious presence. He has blessed some of our efforts, and we do not feel that it has been a "lost year." Much of our time and offerings have been spent in helping our own. Several hundred dollars have been expended for local work.

A union meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Woman's Home Missionary Societies was held during the session of Byron Camp-meeting in June. Miss Minnie E. Perkins gave a very interesting description of Chinatown, San Francisco, California, and of our work among and for these Chinese in our own country.

Our Conference Anniversary was a success in every way. Mrs. James Dale was with us, and gave an address, in which she presented the great work of our General Society. Her presence gave us all new courage and hope for the year to come, and we believe has aroused more enthusiasm for the work. The cause of Woman's Home Missions ought to, and must, win its way, and gain new friends in the Conference. We have made one life member, and the Contingent Fund is receiving more attention.

Mrs. B. S. Potter visited Milwaukee, and spoke in several of the Churches there during July. We have nearly one hundred names as subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions*, and over thirty for *Children's Home Missions*.

For the first time during the six years that we have been trying to push the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in our Conference, we feel that we are to receive help from our President. Mrs. E. Manchester, of Milwaukee, has accepted this position, and seems greatly interested in the work.

MRS. R. W. BATES,  
*Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

### WYOMING CONFERENCE.

LAST November our National President accepted the cordial invitation extended her to visit our Conference. She spoke on several occasions in parlor and churches to great profit. She gave a very interesting address at our Annual Meeting, held at Waverly, N. Y., on "The Industrial Homes of the South" and "The Great Needs of the Work."

The Conference Annual Session, held at Norwich, N. Y., was addressed by Mrs. C. E. Mogg, Dr. Hard, and Dr. Moore. The Conference Secretary gave a report of the work of the Society in general.

Mrs. E. C. Miller visited relatives in Scranton, combining business with pleasure, and gave very excellent addresses at Scranton, Wilkes-barre, Pittston, and Kingston. The ladies of Kingston and Simpson Churches have forwarded boxes of clothing to her.

Binghamton District does excellent work. Members are being added to the Auxiliaries, and a young Ladies' Circle has been organized. The Conference apportionment of the different Societies has been paid. The beneficiaries have been helped, the Emergency Fund contributed to, a great deal of local work done, and supplies sent out.

Chenango District has been crippled by having been without a Secretary a part of the year. We bespeak better things for her in the future.

Oneonta, like many another district doing missionary work, has its "Slough of Despond" and its "Doubting Castles," but is still alive to good works.

Owego, it is claimed, received its name from the expression of the poor Indian, forced to go, as he pulled his canoe from the shore, exclaimed in saddest tone, "*O! we go.*" May this be their motto in Home Missionary work as they press onward! Owego Auxiliary has sent forty dollars to "Ritter Home" during the year. Two hundred and fourteen dollars, including supplies, has been raised in the district.

From Honesdale District the secretary writes: "Am sorry there is not more missionary zeal and better reports; but *many* are doing all they can." She adds: "I know money is scarce in country places."

The smallest Auxiliary reports ten dollars; three bushels of apples, valued at nine dollars; and a barrel of bedding, eleven dollars.

Wyoming District is in advance of last year. The Secretary writes: "There seems to be a steady earnestness of purpose in the plans of work outlined for the winter. Most of the Auxiliaries use the study recommended in *Home Missions*. In a few a more extended course of reading is followed."

Two of the Auxiliaries of our Conference support missionaries, who do the same work that our deaconesses do. Two other Auxiliaries have under their care Industrial Schools in neglected parts of the cities, which include sewing-schools, kindergartens, and kitchengardens, and are doing splendid work. One of these numbers one hundred and fifty pupils.

Our district meetings have never been better attended. Our pledges made at Baltimore have been paid.

Our Conference has raised during the year for General Fund, \$803.36; Special, \$1.157; Contingent, \$36.35; grand total, \$1,996.72.

Mrs. A. H. Dickson contributed one hundred dollars to the work at Clarkson; Mrs. P. L. Bennett, one hundred dollars to Thayer Home.

We will not speak of our hopes; we simply wait God's time for the fulfillment of our heart's desire.

MRS. GEO. B. KULP,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

# REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

## ON "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THERE is no Committee more important than that upon *Woman's Home Missions*, because the existence of our Society depends upon the knowledge of the work of the Society. Annual reports and leaflets are important, but most important of all is a wise, active, fully-informed, up-to-date paper. We should give the women of Methodism a clear and accurate knowledge of the work that is doing by this great Society.

You will have heard from the reports of the publisher and the editor that our paper has had a certain degree of success this last year. Raising the price to thirty-five cents a year has left a balance to the credit of the paper. Twenty pages have been continued, four pages of which have been reserved for the Deaconess Department; a small amount in view of the relative work of this department to the work of the whole Society. It is recommended that measures be taken to claim, and make good the claim that this department shall be the organ of deaconess work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

You will have a recommendation to discontinue the printing of the Treasurer's report in order to reserve our valuable columns for the real advancement of the knowledge of our work. We trust that you will, by your votes, indorse this measure.

The recommendation that free copies of *Woman's Home Missions* be sent to every Home and school under the care of the Society, and as exchanges to all Church papers, is so valuable for the dissemination of knowledge that we draw special emphasis again to this as part of the mission of the paper. It is the thought of this Committee that the recommendation to continue the sending of the paper to subscribers until notified to stop is an important duty that the publisher should be required to have charge of. Some of our most successful papers, of a class similar to ours, pursue this method with great success. We ask for the commendation of the Society on this point.

The serial articles presenting a history of the Society have been a valuable feature of this year's numbers, and must prove equally valuable when the time comes to write the history of the Society.

We can not too strongly urge upon the representative women gathered at the Annual Meeting the necessity of using every opportunity to increase our subscription-list. We ask that the Corresponding Secretaries in all Conferences arrange for the representation of the paper at camp-meetings, assemblies, district meetings, and other important gatherings, taking pains to have attractive and vigorous speakers, whose work shall be supplemented by a careful choice of agents to secure subscribers. Let us not be content until the number of our subscribers bears a much better proportion than now to the number of our members.

May God grant us all consecrated energy, clear thinking, and devotion in pursuing this work!

MRS. C. W. GALLAGHER, *Chairman*.

## OF THE EDITOR OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

*Children's Home Missions*—so named in affectionate deference to its mother, *Woman's Home Missions*—has nearly completed the third year of its existence. This may be a fitting time and place in which to ask and briefly answer three practical questions:

1. What is the child's paper? Convincing proof reaches us now and

again that some of our good women have not yet made the acquaintance of our winsome little one. To such let us say, in a word, that it is a pretty little twelve-page monthly containing pictures and stories illustrating our work, missionary exercises, and jingles for use in concerts and entertainments, as well as in the Band meetings, and a Concert Study each month, which sets forth some special line of our great work.

2. Why is a child's paper needed? The children of the Church are growing up. More and more they must needs be brought in contact with the vice and ignorance that stalk hand in hand throughout our beloved country. That the children may be taught, for Christ's sake and the Nation's sake, how to deal with this great foe, we must early bring before them concrete examples of human need and of human helpfulness. The little paper is needed as a medium through which to present such concrete examples in a manner adapted to interest and stimulate little minds and hearts.

It is needed, also, to stimulate organization among the children. The good woman who invested fifteen cents in our little paper to send to a small friend in a distant State builded better than she knew, since a Children's Band was the direct result, and the end thereof who can tell?

3. Whose is the child's paper? It is yours, sisters, and we look to you to nourish it into a vigorous life. The children must be taught to know and love it, and you must teach them. The Home Mission work of the future must be done by the children of to-day. What are we doing to make it a work of promise and of power?

Again, sisters, it is yours to make it far more helpful than it has yet been. We need your helpful methods and plans, the story of your successes or failures, and the inspiration that comes from knowing you are in sympathy with "Children's work for children!"

MARTHA VAN MARTER.

### OF PUBLISHER OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE recommendations which your Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* brought before you one year ago—the same meeting your approval—have been carried out so far as was possible.

Beginning with January, 1898, your publication has been issued with colored cover, and twenty pages within cover. The subscription price advanced ten cents, making the yearly subscription price thirty-five cents. Your sincere thanks are due members of the Committee appointed to secure advertisements. Several were able to render very material help, and others, though not successful, made very earnest effort. It was known that the extra expense of colored cover could not be met immediately by new contracts for advertisements, as ordered by you, still it was thought best by the Executive Board to put the cover on for the year. These improvements should help us in claiming larger attention from the general advertiser, and the outlook for this is encouraging.

The order to continue the paper after paid subscription expires could not be carried out without the immediate expenditure of several hundred dollars; hence the Executive Board directed that the old method be continued. To continue the paper after paid subscription expires would necessitate a complete change in forms for mailing. The running expenses of the new method would be more, and, in addition, an investment of several hundred dollars in the outfit would be required. "I would not recommend that the paper be continued indefinitely. It very likely would increase the list, but would be a loss of hundreds of dollars every year. It is a most unbusiness-like way of doing," says the editor of one of our Advocates.

The extra receipts from advance in subscription price, and the fact

that the printer made us better figures this year, has made our financial showing good. We rejoice over the fact that all expenses have been promptly met as usual, and we have a balance on hand of \$624.57. It is a sad fact, however, that we must report a falling off of about fifteen hundred subscriptions. If this loss is from the advanced price, I believe we can recover from it in another year. No one certainly would approve of returning to the old form and subscription price. There is no doubt but that most, if not all, favor the improvements, and the only thing to do is for one and all to rally around the paper, and increase the number of subscribers.

I frequently receive requests like the following: "I am appointed to write a paper for our Conference, District, or Auxiliary meeting, on the subject of 'Our Publications.' I have only lately come into the Society, and know little or nothing about its growth. Won't you please give me all the information you can on the subject mentioned? When and where was *Woman's Home Missions* first published? Who was its first editor? Does the small subscription price meet all expenses?" etc.

These requests have suggested to me that it might be a good plan to print two leaflets, one giving the history of *Woman's Home Missions*; a second leaflet urging the importance of an increased circulation. When we can furnish these leaflets, then ask that they be read before each Auxiliary, and followed by a thorough canvass for subscriptions.

The following statements show the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, closing with July, 1898:

## RECEIPTS:

Balance from last year.....	\$353 48
From subscriptions.....	4,833 15
From advertisements.....	331 57
	<hr/> \$5,518 20

## EXPENDITURES:

To printing and mailing.....	\$3,558 75
To Editor .....	300 00
To Editor Deaconess Department.....	96 00
To Publisher .....	499 92
To writer-Historical Sketches.....	25 00
To postage on papers.....	233 96
To electros .....	51 24
To stationery, subscription blanks, and sundries .....	128 76
	<hr/> \$4,893 63
Balance on hand.....	624 57
	<hr/> \$5,518 20

Respectfully submitted.

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher*.

## OF PUBLISHER OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

A SMALL increase in the circulation of *Children's Home Missions* can be reported for the last fiscal year. The receipts from subscriptions were \$71.50 in excess of previous year. By the free distribution of thousands of sample copies and the leaflet entitled, "The Child's Paper," by frequent notices in *Woman's Home Missions*, and much correspondence, the interests of this publication have been urged upon the attention of our members, with the meager results above mentioned.

*Children's Home Missions* made its first appearance in January, 1896.



The Society arranged for its publication because there was a demand for it. Quickly the subscription-list reached six thousand, the second year seven thousand, and this last year about eight thousand. The advance made for two years has been very small, and unless there is a larger increase the coming year, the next report will show a deficit. The guaranty fund, which was supplied to introduce the publication, has been exhausted, and the expenses must now be met from subscriptions alone. Is it not possible and wise to give more thought and time to the circulation of this paper?

The suggestion made a year ago I desire to bring before you again. It was supported last year by a small number of Auxiliaries. If it is not expedient, suggest some other; but do let us have a united effort to increase the list the coming year. I refer to the suggestion that each Auxiliary be *urged* to secure one dollar for ten copies of *Children's Home Missions*, to be distributed in the Band, Junior League, or Sabbath-school of their respective Churches.

We also desire to have the children's help. What better definite aim for the coming year than to ask our eight thousand subscribers to help us to double the list? Make the little ones to feel that they have a part in this special work.

As the several departments of our work are presented to you, each one has its particular need, and claims your support. I am sure, though, not one is more important or worthy your prayerful consideration than the increased circulation of our publications.

I submit the following statements, showing the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, closing with July, 1898:

#### RECEIPTS:

Balance from last year.....	\$193 52
From subscriptions .....	813 53
From donation .....	3 50
From Guarantee Fund.....	50 00
	<hr/> \$1,060 55

#### EXPENDITURES:

To printing .....	\$575 25
To postage .....	29 27
To Publisher .....	199 92
To Editor .....	158 27
To electros .....	45 44
To stationery, printed circulars, and sundries .....	21 78
	<hr/> \$1,029 93
Balance on hand.....	30 62
	<hr/> \$1,060 55

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher*.

### ON LEAFLETS.

THE Leaflet Committee recommends:

1. That each Conference Society, each district organization, and each Auxiliary appoint a Secretary of Literature, whose duty it shall be to promote in every possible way the circulation of our literature.
2. That each Auxiliary, Circle, and Band be requested to contribute twenty-five cents annually to the Leaflet Fund, and that the Conference Society be responsible for collection and payment to the General Treasurer of the same.

3. That Bureau Secretaries see that the Leaflet Editor is supplied with matter, by means of which adequate representation of the various lines of work may be made.

4. That no leaflet be published over the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has not received the approval of the Editor of Leaflets.

5. That all who desire the extension of our work seek by every possible means to promote the circulation of our literature.

The detailed report for the year ending July 31, 1898, is as follows:

Leaflets sent out.....	291,036
Pages .....	1,176,778
Pamphlets .....	1,847
Mothers' Jewels membership cards.....	7,498
Jewel mite-boxes.....	10,112
Membership cards.....	5,075
Mission Band membership cards.....	321
Mission Circle membership cards.....	321
Epworth League membership cards.....	271
Junior League membership cards.....	271
Annual Reports.....	282
Quadrennial Reports.....	190
Thank-offering envelopes.....	35,000
Thank-offering services.....	22,000

MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Chairman.*

## ON PUBLICATION.

IN accordance with your action taken last year, twelve thousand copies of the Sixteenth Annual Report were published, at a cost of \$1,172.58, with an additional cost of \$23.50 for boxing and shipping to the Conference Secretaries.

There were also published, in pamphlet form, three thousand copies of the Annual Address "The United States as a Mission Field," at a cost of \$26.05; three thousand copies of the essay entitled, "The Tithing System," at a cost of \$18.05; three thousand copies of the address by Dr. Ames, at a cost of \$11.70; five thousand copies of the tract, "Need and Opportunity," at a cost of \$12.10; and three thousand copies of the program for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, at a cost of \$33.85.

For binding fifty-two volumes of the Society's Annual Reports the cost was \$33.80. This cost was nearly met by sales of the sets.

In addition, the cost for miscellaneous printing, such as blank forms for reports of all the departments of the work, labels, note-heads, and letter-heads, subscription cards, receipt pads, postals for notices, and transportation, etc., amounted to \$193.15, making the entire cost of publishing and printing at the Book Concern, \$1,523.68.

The cost for the other printing and publishing interests, the two papers, the leaflets, and the Concert Lesson Help, will be shown in the respective reports concerning them.

It has been the custom, hitherto, for each division of the publishing department to make a separate report, and so each year we have reports from the Committee on *Home Missions*, the editor and publisher of the same, from the editor and publisher of the child's paper, from Committee on Leaflets, on Concert Lesson Leaf, and on Publication, thus making *eight* different reports on the publishing interests. Would it not be better for all these reports to be combined in one, so that a full showing may be

made by the Publishing Committee of the entire work and cost of the publishing department?

We recommend:

1. In view of the pressure upon our treasury, that the number of copies of the new Seventeenth Annual Report be the same as last year, 12,000; and that, if possible, the number of pages be not increased.

2. That all reports, and matter for publication therein, be made as condensed as possible (as the cost per page averages about five dollars).

3. That the price of *Children's Home Missions* remain as heretofore, fifteen cents for a single copy, and ten cents for clubs of ten or more; that the editor and publisher remain the same; and that the paper continue to be published at Delaware.

MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Chairman*.

### ON MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

THIRTEEN missionaries have received appointment during the past year, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Missionary Candidates. Several others have been passed by the Committee, but as yet are without appointment.

Attention is called to the following action of the Board of Trustees:

1. It shall be the duty of Bureau Secretaries to confer with the Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, and make application for the appointment of teachers and missionaries as early as April of each year, so that the appointments may be made at the regular April meeting.

2. All changes of missionaries and teachers shall be reported to the Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, and such changes shall be reported by her to the Board of Trustees.

3. The Society will not hold itself responsible for the salaries of missionaries and teachers not accepted and appointed by the Board of Trustees.

MRS. W. C. HERRON, *Chairman*.

### ON TRANSPORTATION.

THE Western, Central Traffic, and Trunk Line Association have granted reduction of railroad fares on certificate plan. The reduction is one fare and a third, provided there are one hundred or more delegates and visitors in attendance at the Convention, who hold properly signed certificates obtained from the ticket agents at starting point or nearest place to it, showing full fare has been paid to place of meeting. Fares less than seventy-five cents will not be reduced in returning.

The certificates must be deposited with the Railroad Secretary before or on Friday or Saturday, October 21 and 22, 1898, the time set for the visit of the Special Agent, who will examine and sign the certificates. No certificate will be valid unless properly signed.

If any one fails to present certificate before his departure, no reduced rates can be obtained. The Special Agent will present the certificates after they have been properly signed to each person. Under no circumstances will the Railroad Secretary be permitted to return a certificate after the departure of the Special Agent. This is in accordance with the rules of the Joint Association, and they must be kept.

Hoping that every one present will aid in this important matter, so as to allow each person to be benefited by the reduction of railroad fares.

MRS. W. M. AMPT,

*Chairman of Committee on Transportation.*

## ON RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, We realize our entire dependence upon God; we praise him for his wondrous leading, his loving patience, his continued care over the members of this Society during the past year;

*Resolved*, That we commit ourselves heart and soul to the work of increasing an interest in this department of our Church, and pledge anew our influence, time, and money for helping the degraded and ignorant of our own land to a saving knowledge of Christ.

WHEREAS, It has been the history in the development of Christendom that when opportunity seemed ripe, God, through natural means, has opened the way for the entrance of Christianity. With national pride, yet righteous humility, we recognize that our loved land, our United States of America, has become the honored instrument by which a triumphant entry of our God and his Christ may now be made into that vast expanse upon the golden soil of the great Northwest, and into the isles which lie as the chief jewels upon the breast of the Pacific, and looking southward toward the sea, into the very Gem of the Antilles. Boundless America suggests boundless possibilities for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we, as a body, acknowledge the Hand of Almighty God in placing before us such expanded opportunities for labor; and that, as an organization, we enter these open doors as rapidly as wisdom shall dictate.

WHEREAS, This Society has heard with great satisfaction of the organization, under the auspices of the War Department, as represented to this body by the President-General, Mrs. Jane V. Creighton, of the White Cross Society, for the relief of our brave soldiers and their families;

*Resolved*, As Christian women, we rejoice that the official signature of this body shall stand forever, with that of other organized bodies of men and women, upon the parchment record of the War Department at Washington, as a tribute of the American women to our brave defenders, the Volunteer Army of the United States of America.

Realizing that our financial methods in the past have been inadequate to meet the ever-increasing demands of our work for the advancement and extension of Christ's kingdom in the earth; therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we, the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, pledge ourselves to obey the Divine injunction contained in Malachi iii, 10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse;" and that we hereby record our faith in God's power and willingness to fulfill his promise to "open the windows of heaven and pour out such a blessing upon us as there shall not be room enough to receive it."

*Resolved*, 2. That, as individuals, we will use every proper means to persuade others to join us in keeping this ordinance, that they may share with us the promised reward contained in Deuteronomy xiv, 29, "That the Lord our God may bless us in all the work which we set our hands unto." That for our mutual encouragement, and in order that "a book of remembrance" may be kept, we will forward to the Secretary of the Bureau as promptly as possible the names of those who from time to time may join our ranks.

WHEREAS, It is of vital importance to the success of this Bureau that space be set apart in the Conference Secretary's Quarterly Blank for the statistics of this department; therefore,

*Resolved*, That all the Conference Corresponding Secretaries be urged

to secure a Conference Secretary of Systematic Beneficence in each Conference as soon as practicable, and that instructions as to the manner of bringing this work before all Auxiliaries in the Conferences be furnished the newly-appointed Conference Secretary, upon application to the Secretary of the Bureau.

*Resolved*, That we deprecate the desecration of the holy Sabbath, and as a body we pledge our influence and example to the observance of this day, according to the teachings of our Divine Master.

*Resolved*, That our official organ, the *Woman's Home Missions*, the *Children's Home Missions*, leaflets, and our literature in general, be more carefully read and circulated, and that the organizing of Reading Circles shall claim more of our attention.

*Resolved*, That the offer of the Howell Manufacturing Company be not only accepted by the Society, but urged upon the Auxiliaries, that the profits from it may enable them to do more work for our beloved cause.

WHEREAS, Miss Mellor's coming among us with her little class from Alaska, giving us a practical exposition of her work; also the presence of Miss Gibson from New Orleans, and Miss Moore from New Mexico, who bring to us such cheering and encouraging reports; and to the noble order of deaconesses, who have so faithfully labored in the Master's vineyard, filling our hearts with pleasure and enthusiasm, and our minds with broader and clearer views of our duty, giving us also the greater hope of the final redemption of the whole human race; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we do tender to all of these our sincere thanks, and pledge the work a more hearty support than ever before, assuring them that the benefit we have derived shall be inculcated in our lives, producing permanent results in the service of the Master.

*Resolved*, That we extend our sincere thanks to the Trustees and members of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their beautiful building; to the pastor and wife, who have extended so cordial a welcome; to the Committee of ladies, who so graciously received their sisters at the stations; to the Decorating Committee, for their tasteful arrangement of flags and plants (the latter so generously furnished by Mr. Mendenhall); to the agent of the railroad companies, for his kindly interest in our behalf; to the Musical Committee and singers, who are so richly endowed by the Heavenly Father with voices of rare depth and quality; to the ladies of the several Churches, who have so bountifully attended to our temporal wants; to the young ladies, who have been untiring in their services as pages; to the little boys, who have attended to the checking of umbrellas; to the sexton, for his faithful services; to the ladies at the Information Bureau, who have charge of the distribution of the mail; to the Official Board, for their generous gift; to the citizens of Minneapolis, who have so cordially received us to their hearts and homes; to Mrs. H. G. Harrison, for the reception given in her beautiful home; to the mayor of the city, for his most cordial and generous courtesy to the ladies of the Convention, in giving them a ride to the lakes and the Falls of Minnehaha; to President Northrop and Dr. Bridgeman, of Hamline University, for the invitation to visit the State University; and to Mr. T. B. Walker, for so liberally opening his art gallery for our inspection; to our beloved officers, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, and Mrs. D. L. Williams, we give our sincere thanks for their untiring service.

*Resolved*, That we, as a body, extend to His Honor, the Mayor, our sincere sympathy and condolence upon his recent bereavement, in the death of his brave son at Manila. May He who knows of the sparrow's fall strengthen and uphold him in this, his hour of bereavement!

*Resolved*, That to the press of the city we extend our thanks for

having so correctly reported us to the public, and that these resolutions be given to the Minneapolis papers for publication.

(Signed,) MRS. IDA H. READ,  
MRS. HARRIET E. BROWN,  
MRS. J. A. LANTRY,  
MRS. ANGIE F. NEWMAN,  
MRS. I. L. HUNT,  
*Committee.*

### ON PLACE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

NEW YORK, Montana, Omaha, and Pittsburg extended cordial invitations for the next Annual Meeting, 1899.

The invitation from Pittsburg was accepted.

MRS. J. E. JACKLIN,  
MRS. CHARLES OLNEY,  
MRS. M. B. GARDNER,  
MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS,  
MRS. HELEN COFFIN BEEDY,  
*Committee.*

### ON BY-LAWS.

THE report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Mrs. J. M. Leonard, and, on motion, considered item by item.

Item No. 1, page 279, Sixteenth Annual Report, Section VI, for Missionary Candidates, No. 5, the word "May" recommended to be changed to *April*. Adopted.

Item No. 8, page 280, under head of By-laws for Conference Societies, insert after the words "Auxiliary Society" and *Young Women's Society*; also, after the word "members" insert *and fraction thereof*.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON,  
MRS. T. J. EVERETT,  
MRS. H. H. REED,  
MRS. CLARA L. ROACH,  
MRS. JOEL M. LEONARD,  
*Committee.*

### ON ORGANIZATION.

(Report of Mrs. B. S. Potter.)

I HAVE traveled in the interest of the Society, during the year, 12,000 miles. Any one who has traveled this distance in any benevolent interest has had "experiences." Some of these it is desirable to forget, while many are delightful to remember.

I recall with gratitude and pleasure the hospitable homes that have been open to me. The faces of these friends—for I must so number them—I often see in memory as I think of the work. The most intense pleasure that comes to me is in the fact that our Society is so rapidly increasing in influence and power. Its genius, purpose, and achievements are becoming better known, and I am confident that soon no Church door will be closed against it, and few loyal Methodist women will be out of its fellowship.

I have placed eighty cards in the interest of Rust Hall. A large part of my expense of travel has been met by the Churches and Auxiliaries which I have served. I have been enabled to send some money to the

Emergency Fund, and large collections and pledges I have sought to turn into this channel.

Conferences visited.....	8
Churches visited having no Auxiliary.....	21
Churches visited where Auxiliary existed.....	21
Parlor meetings.....	6
District meetings.....	5
Conference Annual Meetings.....	3
Conference Anniversaries.....	3
Camp-meetings.....	2
Organizations effected.....	15
Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies.....	1
Number of members secured.....	382
Number of addresses given.....	80

To four of the Conferences visited I have returned the second time within the year.

In five Churches Committees of not less than five persons pledged themselves to secure the organization of an Auxiliary, if possible.

In two Churches the pastor requested that no effort be made to organize an Auxiliary. In one of these Churches, after the presentation of the interests of the Society, ten persons voluntarily pledged to pay into its Treasury one dollar each for the year. I trust this impulse has been followed by organization.

#### REPORT OF MRS. C. W. GALLAGHER.

DURING the past year I have responded to all calls received for work or addresses, and I believe that good results have followed. Many Auxiliaries have been strengthened and made more enthusiastic in their efforts. I have given addresses at District and Annual Meetings in Lynn, Providence, and Malden; also several addresses on the Sabbath in various Churches in the vicinity of Boston, and at special public meetings, arranged by Auxiliaries, including one on August 7th, in the tabernacle at Cottage City.

I have organized an Auxiliary of sixteen members in Auburndale, and secured fourteen subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*.

There is certainly an opening for more Auxiliaries in our Churches in New England, and a broader effort in the direction of organization will no doubt be followed by a large success.

#### ON DAY OF HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.

THE observance of this day of confession and prayer will be more highly appreciated as it receives greater attention. No department of our work has in it greater possibilities of good to ourselves, our homes, and our country, than this union of Christian women in prayer. It covers all our work and all our lives with God's promises; great danger in these times of success and victory in our country that God may be forgotten, and that we will feel as did the old heathen king, who said, "Is not this Babylon which I have builded?" It is easier for us to say with the Pharisee, "Lord, I thank thee that I am not like other men," than to pray with the publican, "Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner."

Careful examination and heart-searching will reveal many individual and national sins that must be repented of and forsaken if we expect a continuance of God's favor. The liquor power, so dominant in politics, and the waste and ruin of intemperance, threaten our very existence.

The relations between the rich and poor are dangerous, and can only be harmonized by the Christ spirit. No people can develop as they should who do not withdraw from their usual labors and cares one day in seven, and turn their thoughts to God for communion and help. Civic patriotism needs cultivation, and political corruption needs defeat. Selfishness, pride, the love of money, hatred, envy, jealousy,—all these hateful things should be cast out. The Church must be aroused from its indifference to the prevailing sins all around it, and become a leader in all true reforms. Christianity is the greatest civilizer known, and promotes the highest and truest culture.

It is earnestly desired that every Auxiliary will arrange to observe the last Thursday in February as a day of united and humble prayer.

At San Francisco, Pittsburg, New York, Detroit, Cleveland, and other places interesting and profitable union meetings were held.

It will be an encouragement and aid in future work if these meetings can be reported. This day of prayer is necessary to secure the gold that will enable our Society to follow the flag wherever it goes with its beneficent influences.

MARY C. HICKMAN, *Chairman*.

## BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

GEORGE D. SEATON, late of Rockford, Ill., gives to our cause the sum of \$500, not yet received.

Harlow Farmer, late of Jacksonville, Ill., gives \$50 to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

L. Augusta Angell bequeaths \$300 to our Society, and in a certain contingency the amount may be increased; has not yet been paid to our Treasurer.

John Shultz, Morristown, Pa., bequeathed the sum of \$200; \$189 was paid by executor June 24th, the whole amount due, less inheritance tax.

Our attorney has been informed that Laura Fellows, late of Lyons, N. Y., has left a will, by which she gave \$250 to our Society; but the will was not probated, and seems to be suppressed by interested parties. The matter is being investigated.

From the Rosina C. Smithers estate, Gallipolis, Ohio, we received \$770 April 12th, the full amount, less the inheritance tax.

The estate of Margaret P. E. Luqueer, Elmira, N. Y., from which we were to receive one-third of a \$10,000 life insurance policy, is still unsettled.

We have received \$1,900 from the Martha Amidon estate, the whole amount, \$2,000, less the inheritance tax.

We have not yet received the \$200 designated as the "Mrs. Freas Brown Fund," given us by the will of Sarah J. Brown, Bloomburg, Pa.

The \$1,000 left by will of Mrs. Emma Hammersley to General Fund was paid last July.

From the Lucy A. Williams estate, Pittsfield, Ill., there has been paid into the Woman's Home Missionary Society Treasury \$950.

The bequest of \$2,000 from the Mary Lockhart estate, Mauch Chunk, Pa., has not yet been received. It is still in process of settlement.

From the Sarah Lankford Palmer estate we have received \$4,192.69.

By the will of Ann E. Jones we are given the sum of \$1,047.97, which has been received by our Treasurer.

We have received \$147.09 from the Sarah M. Murray estate, Jacksonville, Ill.

The \$500 bequeathed by Miss Russell has been paid into the treasury.

The bequest of \$250 from the Experience Gardner estate, South Coventry, Conn., has not yet been realized.



Belinda H. Dunton, of Winona, Minn., left a will, by which she gave to our Society \$1,000. Nine hundred and forty dollars and twenty cents was paid last February, being the whole amount, less the necessary tax.

By the will of John Wise, of Wilmington, Del., our Society has received \$500.

By the will of Camilla M. Jacokes, Pontiac, Mich., our Society was given \$500. The full amount has been paid into the treasury.

We have received a bequest of \$150 by the will of Mrs. Sarah Monroe, of Joliet, Ill.

Also from Katherine Child, Albion, N. Y., \$100.

Total amount of cash received from bequests the last fiscal year, \$13,381.70. MRS. RICHARD DYMOND, *Chairman*.

### MITE-BOXES.

(From July 16, 1897, to July 16, 1898.)

Number of mite-barrels sent.....	2,124
Number of mite-jugs sent.....	485
Number of mite bee-hives sent.....	3,197
Total .....	5,806

#### TOTAL RECEIPTS IN CASH AND POSTAGE:

Received for sale of mite-boxes.....	\$36 87
Received from mite-box collections.....	2 90
Received in postage stamps.....	6 14
Received from Mrs. D. L. Williams, Treasurer, 18 90	
Received from Mrs. D. L. Williams, for ex-	
penses .....	12 90
Total .....	\$77 71

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

For expenses as above.....	\$12 90
For mite-box labels.....	18 90
Paid to Mrs. D. L. Williams.....	45 90
Total .....	\$77 71

### Mite-Box Collections in Conferences.

(For year ending July 15, 1898.)

Baltimore Conference.....	\$608 64
Central New York Conference.....	84 68
Central Pennsylvania Conference.....	220 67
Cincinnati Conference.....	323 94
Detroit Conference.....	311 44
East Ohio Conference.....	230 68
Erie Conference.....	108 75
Genesee Conference.....	159 67
Michigan Conference.....	143 01
Newark Conference.....	412 48
Northern New York Conference.....	118 35
North Ohio Conference.....	86 54
Philadelphia Conference.....	123 08
Wilmington Conference.....	88 17
Wisconsin Conference.....	5 00
Texas Conference.....	12 00
New England Conference.....	202 62

New England Southern Conference.....	\$30 55
New Hampshire Conference.....	51 74
Vermont Conference.....	44 72
Maine Conference.....	42 70
Northwest Indiana Conference.....	45 54
Indiana Conference.....	136 86
North Indiana Conference.....	279 43
Upper Iowa Conference.....	152 46
Northwest Iowa Conference.....	182 47
Ohio Conference.....	203 55
Pittsburg Conference.....	300 00
Troy Conference.....	17 82
Minnesota and West Minnesota Conferences.....	87 80
Central Ohio Conference.....	136 06
Des Moines Conference.....	21 49
Rock River Conference.....	37 38
Puget Sound Conference.....	9 06
Utah Mission.....	8 75
Wellsville, N. Y.....	3 54
East Orange Children's Band.....	13 00
Iowa Conference.....	100 00
Nebraska Conference.....	28 52
Southern California Conference.....	135 25
West Nebraska Conference.....	35 00

Total.....\$5,349 41

Last year's collection.....3,888 79

Increase over last year.....\$1,460 62

The banner Conference is Baltimore, Maryland.

The banner District is Dayton, Ohio, in Cincinnati Conference.

The banner Auxiliary is First Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

I append the following reports from the Divisional Secretaries:

### **Cincinnati Conference.**

(Reported by Mrs. M. P. Brown.)

We are pleased to report a marked improvement in mite-box work in the Cincinnati Conference; not in the increase of money paid into the treasury this year, but in the general awakening of interest in the use of mite-boxes. This is due, in a large measure, to an enthusiastic meeting of Mite-box Secretaries of this Conference, held in Dayton, Ohio, last March, where the work was talked over and planned for in such a way that we have never been able to accomplish in the past. Several ministers and presiding elders were present, and gave us their hearty support. Dayton District was named the "Banner District," not for the largest amount of money raised, but for excellent work done. Every Auxiliary, Circle, and Band in the district had mite-boxes, and in some charges where no Home Missionary Society exists, the little pleaders have found their way. These are a sure foundation on which to build Auxiliaries. This has been verified in Dayton District. Last Easter-tide a little mite-box was sent forth to plead for the cause of Home Missions, and on September 15, 1898, it ripened into an organization with twenty-two members and a request for thirty mite-boxes.

We should have a Mite-box Secretary in every Auxiliary to keep the work before the people, and look after the boxes. We have found it necessary to appoint wide-awake, enthusiastic people for Mite-box Secretaries, and then keep them in that place. If you wish to build a good organization, build on mite-boxes.

### The Indiana Conferences.

(Reported by Mrs. Minnie Ervine.)

North Indiana Conference, which is the Conference I represent, is steadily climbing upward. Every district has a Mite-box Secretary, and every Auxiliary which uses the boxes has a Secretary. These women are thoroughly consecrated to the work, and, as you will see by our much-loved General Secretary's report, a good degree of success has attended their efforts. Thanks be to the loving Christ, who honors work done in His Name!

I have just succeeded in getting a Conference Mite-box Secretary elected in the Northwest Indiana Conference, and the report is very creditable, indeed, this year; but they expect to distribute a much larger number of boxes, and to realize a much larger sum of money from them another year.

"A mite-box in *every* Methodist home within the bounds of the three Indiana Conferences," is my motto, and that for which I am earnestly praying and working.

### Erie Conference.

(Reported by Mrs. Asa Lee Phillips.)

As Secretary of Mite-box Work for Erie Conference, I take great pleasure in reporting this year's work, as compared with last year's, although it is not what I would like to have it. Still, when we take into consideration the fact that we have been organized for systematic work only two short years, I consider the present year's work very encouraging. If we could devise new and unique ways for filling the boxes, the result would be greater.

I have tried all the way from Grumble and Blessing boxes, and the plan works well. This year I am asking them to be thankful we are neither Spaniards nor Cubans, but just good American citizens, and, above all, God-loving as well as God-fearing women, fearing inasmuch as we fear to displease Jesus the Christ, and just living our every-day lives the best we can.

Erie Conference hopes to do better work in the coming year than she has in the one past.

From a report of about \$27 for the year ending July 27, 1897, we bring to you, for the year ending July, 1898, \$99.75, making an increase for 1898 of \$72.75; and all reports in at the present time for 1898 make it \$108.75.

### New England Conference.

(Reported by Mrs. F. H. Lord.)

Our Conference mite-box officers are an enthusiastic body of women, who yearly send out many letters, leaflets, and blanks, and, in several instances, they have represented the department at their Annual Conference.

As in the previous year, much work has been done by the Vermont and New Hampshire secretaries among the children of the Junior League, and, as a result, our children are being educated in the use and blessing of the mite-box.

Mrs. S. W. Smithers, of Vermont, has taken entire charge of two districts, and succeeded in raising \$22 among the children of the Junior League of Hardwick one child alone collecting \$5.

In New Hampshire, the Junior League of Bethlehem united with the local Auxiliary, and raised \$19 in mite-box money, \$15 of which they sent to the Emergency Fund. Reports from the remaining three Conferences

show that each is well equipped with officers in Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands; and in the New England Conference the boxes averaged \$1.50 per box, while in Maine they averaged \$2 per box, as reported.

Mothers' Jewels boxes have been introduced to some extent, and will be heard from another year.

Little by little we are advancing along the line of systematic work in the department, and reports show considerable gain in money and work over last year. This gives us much cause for encouragement.

Mrs. W. M. AMPT,

*Chairman of Committee on Mite-boxes.*

### ON INSURANCE.

Total Amount of Insurance Placed and Premiums paid during the year from October 1, 1897, to October 1, 1898, on property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

	Date.	Am't.	Prem.
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—			
Orphanage, . . . . .	Nov. 22, 1900,	\$1,400	\$49 00
" . . . . .	July 22, 1901,	750	22 50
UNALASKA, ALASKA.—			
Jesse Lee Home, . . . . .	Dec. 24, 1900,	4,000	120 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—			
Simpson Home, . . . . .	Jan. 5, 1901,	3,000	75 00
MARSHALL, TEXAS.—			
King Home, . . . . .	Jan. 10, 1901,	2,500	*75 00
" . . . . .	June 21, 1901,	1,500	45 00
CINCINNATI, OHIO.—			
Glenn Home, . . . . .	Mar. 18, 1901,	3,000	†14 00
" . . . . .	Mar. 18, 1901,	3,000	12 00
" . . . . .	Mar. 18, 1901,	2,500	10 00
YORK, NEBRASKA.—			
Mothers' Jewels Home, . . . . .	Mar. 11, 1901,	795	15 90
" " " . . . . .	Mar. 11, 1901,	5,000	100 00
" " " . . . . .	Mar. 11, 1901,	6,500	130 00
" " " . . . . .	May 10, 1901,	1,700	34 00
" " " Tornado, . . . . .	May 10, 1901,	1,700	25 50
CAMDEN, S. C.—			
Browning Industrial School, . . . . .	Mar. 11, 1901,	2,000	60 00
" " " . . . . .	Apr. 27, 1901,	800	24 00
SAVANNAH, GA.—			
Haven Industrial Home, . . . . .	Apr. 9, 1901,	2,900	43 50
" " " . . . . .	Apr. 9, 1901,	1,200	18 00
" " " . . . . .	Apr. 9, 1901,	3,800	57 00
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—			
Adeline Smith Home, . . . . .	Apr. 27, 1901,	1,500	33 75
" " " . . . . .	Apr. 27, 1901,	1,500	33 75
" " " . . . . .	May 24, 1901,	750	16 87
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—			
School Allen Home, . . . . .	Apr. 6, 1901,	150	4 50
ATHENS, TENN.—			
Ritter Industrial Home, . . . . .	Apr. 27, 1901,	2,000	40 00
" " " . . . . .	Apr. 18, 1901,	1,000	20 00
" " " . . . . .	May 14, 1901,	2,000	40 00

\* Return premium on canceled policy replaced, \$13.06.

† Partly on stable.

	Date.	Am't.	Prem.
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—			
E. L. Rust Industrial Home, . . .	May 21, 1901,	\$1,900	\$40 76
GREENSBORO, N. C.—			
Kent Home, . . . . .	May 23, 1901,	2,700	81 00
OCALA, FLORIDA.—			
Emerson Memorial Home, . . . .	Apr. 8, 1901,	2,100	63 00
ATLANTA, GA.—			
Thayer Home, . . . . .	June 10, 1901,	2,500	50 00
DULCE, NEW MEXICO.—			
Indian Work, . . . . .	June 9, 1901,	2,000	40 00
Totals, . . . . .			\$1,444 03
Return Premium received, .			13 06
Net, . . . . .			\$1,430 97

**Total Amount of Insurance in Force for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.**

	Am't.	Prem.
ATHENS, TENN.—Ritter Industrial Home, . . . . .	\$12,500	\$250 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Industrial School, . . . . .	4,000	80 00
CAMDEN, S. C.—Browning Industrial School, . . . .	7,800	234 00
MARSHALL, TEXAS.—King Home, . . . . .	10,000	300 00
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—E. L. Rust Industrial Home,	3,800	81 51
YORK, NEBRASKA.—Mothers' Jewels Home, . . . .	20,995	426 90
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—		
Adeline Smith Industrial Home, . . . . .	6,000	134 99
DULCE, NEW MEXICO.—Indian Work, . . . . .	2,000	40 00
SAVANNAH, GA.—Haven Industrial Home, . . . . .	10,400	148 50
SAND FLY STATION, GA.—Industrial Home, . . . .	2,000	40 00
ELSINORE, UTAH, . . . . .	500	20 00
LOGAN, UTAH, . . . . .	3,000	90 00
PROVO, UTAH, . . . . .	1,000	30 00
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, . . . . .	850	12 75
GREENSBORO, N. C., . . . . .	2,700	81 00
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Allen Home, . . . . .	10,850	272 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Sampson Home, . . . . .	3,000	75 00
CINCINNATI, OHIO.—Glenn Home, . . . . .	9,500	39 50
MADALIN, N. Y., . . . . .	10,000	207 50
PAWHUSKA, O. T., . . . . .	1,800	54 00
PONCA, INDIAN TER., . . . .	400	12 00
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Harwood Industrial Home, .	5,000	150 00
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—		
Boylan Home Orphanage and Dwelling, . . . .	6,450	205 50
OCALA, FLA.—Emerson Home, . . . . .	3,000	90 00
WHATCOM CO., WASH., . . . . .	1,800	36 00
ATLANTA, GA.—Thayer Home, . . . . .	5,000	100 00
NASHVILLE, TENN., . . . . .	1,000	25 00
UNALASKA, ALASKA.—Jesse Lee Home, . . . . .	7,000	215 00
Totals, . . . . .	\$152,345	\$3,451 15

Signed by

Mrs. GEO. H. THOMPSON,  
Mrs. W. A. GOODMAN, Jr.  
Mrs. I. D. JONES.

## ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee on Appropriations recommended the following appropriations for 1898-99, which report was adopted:

### Southern Work.

<b>THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Superintendent and assistants,</b>	
salary and travel, . . . . .	\$865 00
Incidentals, repairs, and painting, . . . . .	281 00
Addition to building (conditional), . . . . .	550 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	450 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$2,146 00</b>

<b>HAVEN HOME AND SCHOOL, SAVANNAH, GA.—Superintendent</b>	
of Home, and teachers, salary and travel, . . . . .	\$1,480 00
Incidentals and repairs, . . . . .	300 00
Furniture and school supplies, . . . . .	125 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	500 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$2,405 00</b>

<b>MARY HAVEN HOME, SPEEDWELL, GA.—Salary and travel, . .</b>	
Current expenses, . . . . .	\$320 00
Repairs and painting, . . . . .	175 00
	60 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$555 00</b>

<b>BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. — Superin-</b>	
tendent and teachers, salary and travel, . . . . .	\$1,590 00
Two teachers (conditional, . . . . .	480 00
Incidentals and repairs, . . . . .	200 00
Sidewalk (if required), . . . . .	100 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	400 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$2,770 00</b>

<b>EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL, OCALA, FLA. — Superintendent</b>	
and teachers, salary and travel, . . . . .	\$835 00
Incidentals and repairs, . . . . .	200 00
Finishing and furnishing third story (conditional), . . . . .	500 00
Student aid, . . . . .	300 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,835 00</b>

<b>ALLEN HOME AND SCHOOL.—Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$1,080 00</b>
Additional teacher (if required), . . . . .		100 00
Fuel and incidentals, . . . . .		300 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		300 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,780 00</b>
<b>SIMPSON HOME, ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$790 00</b>
Finishing and furnishing attic, . . . . .		500 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		300 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,590 00</b>
<b>BROWNING HOME AND SCHOOL, CAMDEN, S. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$1,560 00</b>
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		250 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,810 00</b>
<b>KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$685 00</b>
Incidentals and improvements, . . . . .		100 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		200 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$985 00</b>
<b>NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE HOME, MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$685 00</b>
Incidentals and repairs, . . . . .		150 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		200 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,035 00</b>
<b>RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$600 00</b>
Incidentals, fuel, etc., . . . . .		250 00
Beneficiaries (conditional), . . . . .		800 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,650 00</b>
<b>E. L. RUST HOME, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$710 00</b>
Current expenses and repairs, . . . . .		375 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		300 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,385 00</b>
<b>BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and travel, . . . . .</b>		<b>\$690 00</b>
Current expenses, . . . . .		100 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .		300 00
Total, . . . . .		<b>\$1,090 00</b>

<b>BENNETT ACADEMY, CLARKSON, MISS.—Principal and assistants,</b>	
salary and travel, . . . . .	\$1,030 00
Superintendent of Dickson Home and Farm, . . . . .	210 00
Farm implements, . . . . .	280 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	100 00
Building (conditional), . . . . .	1,000 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$2,620 00</b>

<b>ADELINE SMITH HOME, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Superintendent</b>	
and assistant, salary and travel, . . . . .	\$554 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	280 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	200 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,034 00</b>

<b>ITALIAN WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Missionaries, salary and</b>	
travel, . . . . .	\$800 00
Incidentals and rent, . . . . .	170 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	80 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,050 00</b>

<b>KING HOME, MARSHALL, TEXAS.—Superintendent and assistant,</b>	
salary and travel, . . . . .	\$752 00
Purchase of additional ground (if needed), . . . . .	600 00
Furnishing (conditional), . . . . .	150 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	160 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,662 00</b>

<b>Total for Southern Work, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$27,402 00</b>
(Conditional, . . . . . \$7,420 00.)	

**Utah.**

<b>ELSINORE, COLUMBUS HOME—Teacher and assistant, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$480 00</b>
(\$80 conditional.)	
<b>EPHRAIM, PALMER HOME—Missionary, . . . . .</b>	<b>300 00</b>
<b>LOGAN, PHILADELPHIA HOME—Missionary, . . . . .</b>	<b>300 00</b>
<b>MORONI, GURLEY HOME—Teacher and school supplies, . . . . .</b>	<b>325 00</b>
<b>MT. PLEASANT—Teacher and school supplies, . . . . .</b>	<b>325 00</b>
<b>OGDEN—Deaconess, . . . . .</b>	<b>200 00</b>
<b>PROVO, EAST OHIO MISSION AND DEACONESS HOME, . . . . .</b>	<b>200 00</b>
<b>RICHFIELD—Missionary, . . . . .</b>	<b>300 00</b>
<b>SALT LAKE CITY, DAVIS DEACONESS HOME, . . . . .</b>	<b>800 00</b>
<b>SPRING CITY, LEECH HOME—Teacher and rent, . . . . .</b>	<b>410 00</b>
Contingent fund for the work (\$100 conditional), . . . . .	400 00
<b>Total for Utah (conditional, \$180), . . . . .</b>	<b>\$4,040 00</b>

**Spanish Work—New Mexico and Arizona.**

<b>HARWOOD HOME—Superintendent and assistant, salary and</b>	
travel, . . . . .	\$960 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	150 00
Furnishings (conditional), . . . . .	200 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	600 00
<b>Total, . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,910 00</b>



EL PASO, TEXAS—Missionary, salary, \$480; rent and incidentals, \$150, . . . . .	\$630 00
LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO—Missionary, salary, \$480; rent and incidentals, \$200, . . . . .	680 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (conditional), . . . . .	400 00
KEY WEST, . . . . .	100 00
PORTO RICO (conditional), . . . . .	800 00
Total to Spanish Work (conditional, \$2,000), . . . . .	<u>\$4,560 00</u>

**Indian Work.**

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA, DULCE—Two missionaries, . . . . .	\$960 00
Assistants in Home and School, . . . . .	200 00
Incidentals and furnishing, . . . . .	200 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	200 00

Total, . . . . . \$1,560 00

NAVAJOES, JEWETT—Missionary and teacher, . . . . .	\$720 00
Interpreter, . . . . .	230 00
Building and furnishing, . . . . .	230 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	175 00

Total, . . . . . \$1,355 00

INDIAN AND FRONTIER. PAWNEE, O. T., . . . . .	\$100 00
PONCA, O. T., . . . . .	530 00
PAWHUSKA, O. T., ADELAIDE SPRINGER MISSION, . . . . .	440 00
YAKIMA AGENCY, FT. SIMCOE, . . . . .	480 00
UKIAH, CAL., . . . . .	120 00

STICKNEY HOME, NOOKSACHK, WASH. — Superintendent and teacher, . . . . .	\$540 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	300 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	800 00

Total, . . . . . \$1,640 00

Total for Indian Work (conditional, \$1,000), . . . . . \$6,225 00

**Alaska.**

Missionaries, salary and incidentals, . . . . .	\$865 00
Dispensary, . . . . .	100 00
Furnishing and repairs, . . . . .	500 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	2,000 00
Hospital (conditional), . . . . .	10,000 00

Total for Alaska, . . . . . \$13,465 00

(Conditional, . . . . . \$12,000.)

**Immigrant Work.**

IMMIGRANT HOME, NEW YORK—Two missionaries, . . . . .	\$960 00
Domestic, \$230; rent, \$2,500; current expenses, \$500, . . .	3,230 00
Total, . . . . .	\$4,190 00
IMMIGRANT HOME, PHILADELPHIA — Superintendent, salary (conditional), \$200; rent, \$200; current expenses, \$200, . . .	600 00
IMMIGRANT HOME, BOSTON — Superintendent and helpers, . .	1,016 00
Repairs, \$500; fuel, \$225; incidentals, \$30, . . . . .	755 00
Medical Mission (conditional), . . . . .	1,150 00
Total, . . . . .	\$2,921 00
Total for Immigrant Work, . . . . .	\$7,711 00
(Conditional, . . . . . \$1,350.)	
WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME—Superintendent, salary, . . . . .	\$960 00
Teachers, \$720; farmer, \$420; indoor help, \$350, . . . . .	1,490 00
Current expenses, \$600; fuel and light, \$250; repairs, \$200, . .	1,050 00
Heating apparatus (\$600 conditional), . . . . .	1,600 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	1,000 00
Total, . . . . .	\$6,100 00
(Conditional, . . . . . \$1,600.)	
E. E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO—Superintendent and assistants, salary, . . . . .	\$600 00
Janitor, \$145; table expenses, \$300; incidentals, \$84, . . . .	529 00
Building (\$2,500 conditional), . . . . .	5,000 00
Kindergarten (conditional), . . . . .	200 00
Total (conditional, \$2,700), . . . . .	\$6,329 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI (\$2,000 conditional), . . . . .	\$2,500 00
(Total conditional, . . . . . \$2,000.)	
MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB. — Superintendent and matron, salary, . . . . .	\$1,040 00
Helpers, . . . . .	1,080 00
Current expenses, \$2,700; painting, \$150; furnishings, etc., (conditional), \$350, . . . . .	3,200 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	1,000 00
Total (conditional, \$1,350), . . . . .	\$6,320 00
LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C. — Salaries, \$840; rent, \$850; repairs and furnishing, \$650; current expenses, \$4,000, . . . . .	\$6,340 00
Support of deaconesses, \$1,000; local city work, \$500 (con- ditional), . . . . .	1,500 00
Student aid (conditional), . . . . .	3,000 00
Reappropriations for Rust Hall (conditional), . . . . .	10,000 00
Total (conditional, \$14,500), . . . . .	\$20,840 00
SIBLEY HOSPITAL (conditional, \$1,000), . . . . .	\$2,000 00
REST HOME, OCEAN GROVE, N. J. (conditional), . . . . .	\$3,600 00
(Conditional, . . . . . \$3,600.)	

**Deaconess Work (Conditional).**

BALTIMORE, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
BROOKLYN, . . . . .	4,500 00
BUFFALO, . . . . .	4,000 00
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE, . . . . .	600 00
CLEVELAND, . . . . .	4,000 00
DENVER, . . . . .	1,000 00
DES MOINES, . . . . .	1,200 00
DETROIT, . . . . .	3,000 00
GRAND RAPIDS, . . . . .	2,500 00
INDIANAPOLIS, . . . . .	1,000 00
JACKSON, . . . . .	2,000 00
JERSEY CITY, . . . . .	1,500 00
KNOXVILLE, . . . . .	1,000 00
LOS ANGELES, . . . . .	1,000 00
NEW MEXICO, . . . . .	250 00
PHILADELPHIA, . . . . .	5,000 00
PITTSBURG, . . . . .	2,500 00
SAN FRANCISCO, . . . . .	3,000 00
SYRACUSE, . . . . .	3,500 00
TROY CONFERENCE, . . . . .	300 00
URBANA, . . . . .	2,000 00
WICHITA, . . . . .	1,000 00

Total for Deaconess Work, . . . . . \$48,850 00

(Conditional, . . . . . \$48,850.)

**Oriental Work.**

SAN FRANCISCO (conditional, \$1,000), . . . . .	\$3,000 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (conditional), . . . . .	300 00
HAWAII (\$250 conditional), . . . . .	500 00

Total (conditional \$1,550), . . . . . \$3,800 00

**Conference Work (Conditional).**

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE, . . . . .	\$800 00
NEWARK CONFERENCE, . . . . .	500 00
PITTSBURG CONFERENCE, . . . . .	500 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE, . . . . .	1,500 00

Total (conditional, \$3,300), . . . . . \$3,300 00

HELENA, MONTANA (\$250 conditional), . . . . .	\$500 00
Printing accounts, . . . . .	\$2,500 00
Office expenses, . . . . .	2,500 00
Attorney's fee, . . . . .	300 00
Interest on endowments, annuities, and notes, . . . . .	2,000 00
Insurance, . . . . .	600 00
Leaflets, . . . . .	75 00
Incidentals, . . . . .	2,000 00

GRAND TOTAL, . . . . . \$177,477 00

UNCONDITIONAL, . . . . . 72,827 00

CONDITIONAL, . . . . . 104,650 00

**Summary.**

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
Southern Work, . . . . .	\$19,982 00	\$7,420 00
Utah, . . . . .	3,860 00	180 00
Spanish Work, . . . . .	2,560 00	2,000 00
Indian Work, . . . . .	5,225 00	1,000 00
Alaska, . . . . .	1,465 00	12,000 00
Immigrant Work, . . . . .	6,361 00	1,350 00
Watts de Peyster Home, . . . . .	4,500 00	1,600 00
E. E. Marcy Home, . . . . .	3,629 00	2,700 00
Glenn Home, . . . . .	500 00	2,000 00
Mothers' Jewels Home, . . . . .	4,970 00	1,350 00
L. W. H. Training School, . . . . .	6,340 00	14,500 00
Sibley Hospital, . . . . .	1,000 00	1,000 00
Rest Home, Ocean Grove, . . . . .	. . . . .	3,600 00
Deaconess Work, . . . . .	. . . . .	48,850 00
Oriental Work, . . . . .	2,250 00	1,550 00
Conference Work, . . . . .	. . . . .	3,300 00
Helena, Montana, . . . . .	250 00	250 00
General Expenses, . . . . .	9,975 00	. . . . .
Total, . . . . .	\$72,867 00	\$104,650 00

The following recommendations from the Finance Committee were approved:

1. The erection of a building for industrial occupation for girls at Orangeburg, S. C., should the money be provided without draft upon the treasury.

2. Mrs. Mather's proposition to erect a cottage for boys in connection with Browning Home, at Camden, S. C., at a cost of \$800.

3. The proposition of a friend to pay half the cost of a cottage for lodging in connection with Bennett Home, provided the Society pay the other half.

4. That as the country expands by the acquisition of new territory, we hold ourselves ready to enter the new fields as the state of the treasury will justify us in doing so.

DELIA L. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

(Signed), MRS. L. J. EVERETT, Secretary.

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS,

In account with the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

July 15, 1897 to July 15, 1898.

## RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

### *Baltimore Conference.*

MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer, 902 Fourteenth Street, N. W.,  
Washington, D. C.

**General Fund.**—BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Annapolis: First Church, \$6; Baltimore: Eutaw Street, \$10.35; First Church, \$115; Junior, \$10; Granite, \$4.60; Madison Avenue, \$95; Junior, \$3.50; Mt. Vernon Place, \$39; Magdalen, \$1; South Baltimore, \$39.80; Strawbridge, \$91; Wesley, \$22.75; Woodbury: Grace, \$15.25. Total, \$453.25.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Broadway, \$16.25; Canton Street, \$35.12; Carolina Street, \$5.33; East Baltimore Station, \$26.50; Greenmount Avenue, \$6; Harford Avenue, \$35.45; Monument Street, \$28.25; Madison Square, \$20; Montford Avenue, \$8.75; Mite-box, 39 cents; Waverly, \$12. Total, \$194.04.

WEST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Bethany, \$25.25; Columbia Avenue, \$29; Emory, \$15.75; Franklin Street, \$30; Fayette Street, \$46; Junior, \$3.90; Collection Annual Meeting, \$31.50; Grace, \$59; Junior, \$9; Harlem Park, \$35; Union Square, \$29; Walbrook, \$28; Whatcoat, \$58. Total, \$399.40.

FREDERICK DISTRICT.—Cumberland Center, \$32.50; Ijamsville, \$6; Martinsburg, \$23.50. Total, \$62.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Anacosta, \$20.80; Douglas Memorial, \$25.60; Dumbarton, \$26; Foundry, \$36; Junior, \$23.50; Fifteenth Street, \$11.95; Grace, \$8; Hamline, \$110; Junior, \$26.35; Kensington, \$13.75; Lanham, \$3.62; Metropolitan, \$60.50; McKendree, \$25.75; Junior, \$14.75; North Capital, \$4.75; Ryland, \$38.25; St. Paul, \$32; Trinity, \$38.10; Twelfth Street, \$38.50; Union, \$26.20; Waugh, \$38; Wesley, \$42; Junior, \$13.15. Total, \$677.52.

SOUTH BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Mite-box, \$17.58; Leaflet, \$8.25; Gifts, \$111.29. Total, \$137.12.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,923.33.

Of the above amount \$499.28 is half dues for Deaconess work, received by voucher.

**Special General Fund.**—*Missionaries' Salaries.*—Baltimore: First Church, \$30; Junior, \$10; Columbia Avenue, \$5; Franklin Street, \$5; Emory, \$10; Fayette Street, \$10; Junior, \$2.50; Union Square, \$11; Harlem Park, \$10; Bethany, \$10; Walbrook, \$1.50; Eutaw Street, \$1; Grace and Woodbury, \$1; Wesley Chapel, \$5; Madison Avenue, \$26; Strawbridge, \$15; Broadway, \$10; East Baltimore Station, \$10; Howard Avenue, \$5; Monument Street, \$5; Montford Avenue, \$2; Washington: Dumbarton, \$5; Foundry, \$30; Metropolitan, \$25; St. Paul, \$18.80; Trinity, \$15; Union, \$6.64; Whatcoat, \$10. Total, \$295.44.

**Emergency Fund.**—Baltimore: Broadway, \$10; East Baltimore Station, \$5; First Church, \$30; Junior, \$5; Fayette Street Circle, \$10; Choir, \$5; McKendree, \$10; Harford Avenue, \$10; Mt. Vernon Place, \$12; Montford Avenue, \$2; Monument Street, \$5; Madison Avenue, \$6; Ijamsville Circle, \$5; South Baltimore Station, \$5; Strawbridge, \$10; Whatcoat, \$5; Washington: Hamline, \$15; Metropolitan, \$5; St. Paul, \$20.50; Mrs. V. E. Childs, \$1; Trinity, \$5; Wesley, \$5. Total, \$186.50.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$481.94.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*To Harwood Home.*—Washington: Hamlin, \$30; Elkton, Md., \$3.38. Total, \$33.38.

*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Baltimore: Grace, \$25; Madison Avenue, \$50; South Baltimore Station, \$10; Washington: Fifteenth Street, \$3.35; Hamline, \$47.25; Metropolitan, \$50; St. Paul, 7 cents; Union, \$8; Waugh, \$50; Wesley, Jr., \$50.01. Total, \$293.68.

*To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—By Voucher, \$86.50. Total, \$86.50.

*To New Jersey Home.*—Washington: Gift, \$1. Total, \$1.

*Oriental Work.*—Washington: Foundry, \$1; Junior, \$5; Metropolitan, \$1; Ryland, \$2.50; St. Paul, \$1.25; Trinity, \$2.50; Twelfth Street, 25 cents; Waugh, \$1; Wesley, \$2.50; Union, \$5. Total, \$22.

*Watts de Peysler Home.*—Washington: Wesley, \$12; Summit Grove Camp, \$2; Emory Grove Camp, 55 cents; Trinity, \$2; St. Paul, \$5; Metropolitan, \$5; Foundry Junior, \$5; Union, \$6; Rowland Avenue, \$2; Hamline, \$27.45; Towson League, \$1; Wesley Chapel, \$2. Total, \$150.

By Voucher, \$80.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$586.56.

**Special Fund.**—*Yakima Indian Work.*—Strawbridge, \$6. Total, \$6.

*To Jesse Lee Home.*—Washington: St. Paul, \$100; Foundry Church, \$2.50; Cumberland, Md.: Center Street for Hospital, \$8.

By Voucher, \$7.10. Total, \$117.60.

*By Voucher.*—\*To Deaconess Home, Baltimore, \$3,044.10; \*To Deaconess Home, Washington, \$1,532.94; To Sibley Hospital, \$651.74; To Bancroft Rest home, \$71.50; To Harwood Home, \$5.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$5,428.88.

Grand total, . . . . . 8,420.71.

### California Conference.

MRS. ABBIE A. STUDLEY, Treasurer, 717 Shotwell Street,  
San Francisco.

**General Fund.**—NAPA DISTRICT.—Napa: Centenary Church, \$6; Petaluma, \$3.30; Santa Rosa, \$5.64. Total, \$14.94.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda: First Church, \$20; Berkeley: Trinity, \$18.50; Young Ladies, \$4.25; Modesto, \$7.75; Oakland: Eighth Avenue, \$12; First Church, Young Ladies, \$8.75; First Church, \$25; Stockton: Central, \$15.99. Total, \$112.24.

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Sacramento: Sixth Street, \$10.25; Grass Valley, \$17.15. Total, \$27.40.

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—Centella, \$5.50; Gilroy, \$1.50; Gonzales, \$1.25; Pacific Grove, \$10.75; Santa Cruz, \$7.87; San Jose: First Church, \$22.50; Santa Clara, \$5; San Francisco: Central, \$17.50; Epworth, \$4.22;

\*This report notes only the Deaconess Funds that have passed through the General Treasury. More or less of the income of each home is received and disbursed by a local board. For a complete financial report of Deaconess Work see pages 121-139.

Grace, \$15.15; Circle, \$2.75; Friendly, \$3.50; Circle, \$2; Simpson Memorial, \$12; Trinity, \$5.25; Powell Street, \$5; Howard Street, \$9; Circle, \$5; King's Daughters Circle, \$2.25. Total, \$137.99.

*Leaflet*, \$5.

*Conference Collection*, \$70.

*Half dues to Deaconess Work*.—By Voucher, \$99.34.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$466.91.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund*.—San Francisco: California Street, \$5; Grass Valley, \$5; Santa Clara, \$5; Santa Rosa, \$8; Oakland, \$5. Total, \$28.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Oriental Work*.—By Voucher, \$1,052.94.

Total, \$1,052.94.

**Special Fund.**—*Deaconess Work*.—\* San Francisco: by Voucher, \$2,246.22.

*Frontier Work*.—By Voucher, \$103.10.

*Utah Work*.—For Flag, \$14.50.

Total, \$2,363.82.

Grand total, . . . . . \$3,911.67.

### Central Illinois Conference.

MRS. ELLA BRADWAY, Treasurer, Abingdon, Illinois.

**General Fund.**—KANKAKEE DISTRICT.—Onarga, \$19.45; Orange, \$10; Watseka Camp, \$6; Sale of Reports, \$1. Total, \$36.45.

ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.—Rock Island, \$13.50; Circle, \$18.50.

Total, \$32.

GALESBURG DISTRICT.—Carthage, \$5; Circle, \$7.75; Abingdon, \$8.50; North Henderson, \$2.50; Jewels, \$1.10. Total, \$24.85.

*Conference Gatherings*, \$11.50.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$104.80.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund*.—Carthage, \$14; Rock Island, \$5; Miss Jennie Taylor, \$5; Tirkilwa, \$10.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$34.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Rust Home*.—Carthage, \$5.

Total, \$5.

*Ritter Home*.—Rock Island, \$42.

Total, \$42.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$47.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 185.80.

### Central Missouri Conference.

MRS. G. B. ABBOTT, Treasurer, 1913 Locust St., Kansas City, Mo.

**General Fund.**—ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.—Farmington, 50 cents; Montgomery City, \$1; Rolla 40 cents; Wellsville, \$1. Total \$2.90.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, \$6; Summit Street, \$11.50; Clara Mitchell Circle, \$13.25. Total, \$30.75.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Columbia, \$1; Fayette, \$1.60; Independence, \$1; Mexico, 50 cents; New Franklin, 25 cents; Sturgeon, 25 cents; Kansas City: Asbury, \$1.60; Burne, 25 cents. Total, \$6.45.

\*See Note foot of page 121.

SEDALIA DISTRICT.—Slater, \$1; Odessa, 25 cents. Total, \$1.25.

TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Topeka: Asbury, \$3.50; North Topeka, \$1.  
Total, \$4.50.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$45.85.

*Emergency Fund.*—Springfield: Benton Avenue, \$5. Total, \$5.

Grand total, . . . . . \$50.85.

### Central New York Conference.

MRS. J. F. PEASE, Treasurer, 107 Merriman Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

**General Fund.**—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, \$54; Wall Street, \$36; Clyde, \$47, Jewels, \$2.30; Ithaca: First Church, \$44.86; Band, 52 cents; Ledyard, \$1; Newfield, \$5.50; New Hope and Kelloggsville, \$1; N. Lansing and Lansingville, \$3; Red Creek Circle, \$12.11; Seneca Falls, \$25.98; Savannah, \$19; Sterling, \$2.40; Victory, \$8.75; Weedsport, \$27; Circle, \$11.66; Jewels, \$1.20. Total, \$303.28.

CAZENOVIA DISTRICT.—Canastota, \$21.30; Cazenovia, \$41.25; Chittenango Circle, \$8.13; Jewels, 60 cents; Cortland, \$60; Junior, \$2.75; Jewels, 50 cents; DeRuyter, \$9; Homer, \$21; Jewels, \$1.40; Keeney, \$9; Manlius, \$30; Oneida, \$49.50; Band, \$1.50; West Dryden, \$7; baking powder, \$6. Total, \$268.93.

ELMIRA DISTRICT.—Burlington, \$1; Canton, \$23.40; Circle, \$11; Jewels, \$2.50; Chenung, \$10; East Troy and West Burlington, \$1; Forksville, \$1; Elmira: First Church, \$40.25; Circle, \$16.50; Jewels, \$4; Busy Bees, \$5; Home Lights, \$7; Hedding, \$37; Horse Head, \$15.80; Riverside, \$13.89; Wellsburg, \$25; Troy, Pa., \$23.10. Total, \$237.44.

GENEVA DISTRICT.—Bellona, \$4.50; Canandaigua, \$44.75; Geneva, \$24.25; Queen Esther, \$11.50; Gorham, \$4; Lyons, \$60; Jewels, \$1.90; Band, \$9; Middlesex, \$13.50; Milo Center, \$26; Mecklenburg, \$6; Newark, \$43.25; Donation, \$7; Circle, \$3.85; Palmyra, \$30; Penn Yan, \$25.50; Sodas, \$24.35; Seneca Castle, \$22; Jewels, 90 cents; Trumansburg, \$6.75; sale of baking powder, \$1.60; Williamson, \$29; Wayne and Corrington, \$3. Total, \$402.60.

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Amber, \$2; Baldwinsville, \$52; Circle, \$9; Jewels, \$4.41; DeWitt, \$22; Jewels, \$2; Euclid, \$11; Liverpool, \$12.88; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, \$11.63; Jewels, \$2.20; Erwin, \$18; Centenary, \$31.08; Willing Workers, \$6.25; Home Lights, \$10; Jewels, \$1.60; First Church, \$42; Jewels, \$5.80; life member, \$20; First Ward, \$21.88; Furman Street, \$12.87; University, \$35.87; Jewels, \$6.70; West Genesee, \$16.50; Jewels, \$3.90. Total, \$361.57.

Of above amount, \$7.88 Deaconess's half dues by voucher.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,616.10.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Chittenango, \$5; Canastota, \$25; Canton, \$5; Catharine, \$3; Cortland, \$20; DeWitt Willing Workers, \$5; Elmira: Hedding, \$9.75; First Church, \$5; Home Lights, \$5; Ithaca, \$20; Newark, \$9.60; Oneida, \$20.30; Homer, \$5; Liverpool, \$5; Lyons, \$22.38; Palmyra, \$6; Furman Street Dorcas Society, \$5; Keeney, \$5; Riverside, \$5; Millsport, \$5; Weedsport, \$3.75; West Genesee, \$5; Troy, Pa., \$4; Syracuse: First Church, \$25.13; Centenary, \$5; Home Lights, \$5; Seneca Falls, \$17.64. Total, \$256.55.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Canton, \$25. Total, \$25.

*Haven Home.*—Oneida, \$3.25. Total, \$3.25.

*Home, not named.*—Elmira: Hedding, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Elmira: First Church, \$5; Penn Yan, \$50. Total, \$55.

*King Home.*—Canton, \$10. Total, \$10.



<i>Lucy Webb Hayes Home.</i> —Oneida, \$5.	Total, \$5.
<i>Mothers' Jewels Home.</i> —Lyons, \$10.	Total, \$10.
<i>Ritter Home.</i> —Elmira; Hedding, \$30.	Total, \$30.
<i>Stickney Home.</i> —Canandaigua, \$5; Cortland, \$64.50; Canton, \$2.50;	
Middlesex, \$5; Weedsport, \$2.50.	Total, \$79.50.
<i>Simpson Home.</i> —DeWitt, \$23.27; Geneva, \$10; Queen Esther, \$10; Syr-	
acuse: First Church, \$16.77.	Total, \$60.04.
Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$287.79.	
<b>Special Fund.</b> — <i>Lucy Webb Hayes-Rust Hall.</i> —Baldwinsville, \$6; Can-	
ton, \$2.50; DeWitt, \$2; Elmira: First Church, \$20; Hedding Church, \$10;	
Ithaca: First Church, \$5; Liverpool, \$2; Lyons, \$5; Savannah, \$1; Seneca	
Falls, \$2; Syracuse: Furman Street, \$5; First Church, \$10; Centenary, \$5;	
University, \$10; West Genesee, \$2; Weedsport, \$3.25.	Total, \$90.75.
<i>Syracuse Deaconess Home.</i> *—By voucher, \$157.25.	
<i>Mary Haven Home.</i> —By voucher, \$1.	
Total to Special Fund, . . . . . \$249.00.	
Grand total, . . . . . 2,409.44.	

### Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. J. M. AVANN, Treasurer, 531 Bancroft Street, Toledo, Ohio.

<b>General Fund.</b> —BELLEFONTAINE DISTRICT.—Anna, \$15.25; Bellefontaine, \$61.50; DeGraff, \$15.75; Hardin, \$12; Lena, \$2.90; Quincy, \$8.75; St. Paris, \$16; Sidney, \$49.80.		Total, \$181.95.
DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Bryan, \$19.25; Defiance, \$28.25; Circle, \$7; Mite-boxes, \$5; Ottawa, \$20; Pioneer, \$28.50.		Total, \$108.
DELAWARE DISTRICT.—Carey, \$19.25; Delaware: William Street, \$42.25; Marion, \$62; Marysville, \$35; Mt. Victory, \$14.65; Prospect, \$5.17; Jewels, \$2.30.		Total, \$180.62.
FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, \$9; Benton Ridge, \$3.25; Bloomdale, \$17; Findlay: First Church, \$28.69; Fostoria, \$48; Fremont, \$50; Circle, \$10; Jewels, \$5; Houcktown, \$4.75; North Baltimore, \$2.50.		Total, \$178.19.
LIMA DISTRICT.—Delphos, \$8.35; Lima: Trinity, \$33.25; Mite-boxes, \$5; Mercer, \$4.05; Middlepoint: Grace, \$3; St. Mary's, \$20.25; Van Wert, \$19.75; Band, \$3.39; Jewels, \$4.20; Wapakoneta, \$13.		Total, \$114.24.
TOLEDO DISTRICT.—Bowling Green, \$35.50; Circle, \$10.25; Jewels, \$1; Gibsonburg, \$24.75; Mite-boxes, \$6; Oak Harbor, \$10; Richfield Center: Farley Church, \$12.50; Tinney, \$14.75; Toledo: Albany Street, \$10; Jewels, \$1; Broadway, \$20; Circle, \$2; Jewels, \$1.70; Detroit Avenue, \$4; Epworth, \$17.50; Jewels, \$2; Monroe Street, \$2; St. Paul's, \$86; Band, 58 cents; Jewels, \$6.50.		Total, \$268.03.
<i>Leaflet</i> , 25 cents.		
Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,031.28.		

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Anna, \$5; Antwerp, \$5; Carey, \$3; DeGraff, \$10; Delaware: William Street, \$79.80; Findlay: First Church, \$5; Fostoria, \$5; Fremont, \$5; Lafayette, \$5; Marion, \$10; Marysville, \$10; Ottawa, \$10; Prairie Depot, \$5; Toledo: Broadway, \$4.20; Epworth, \$5; Van Wert: Band, \$5.

*Missionary's Salary.*—Anna, \$5; Bellefontaine, \$15; Benton Ridge, \$4.25; Bowling Green, \$5; Bryan, \$12; Defiance, \$51.75; DeGraff, \$15; Delaware: William Street, \$20.38; Delphos, \$10.40; Findlay: First Church, \$15; Fostoria, \$10; Fremont, \$15; Gibsonburg, \$10; Houcktown, \$10.75; Lima: Trinity, \$10; Marion, \$15; Marysville, \$3; Middlepoint: Grace, \$6.87; Mt.

\* See note, page 121.

Victory, \$4; Ottawa, \$10; Pioneer, \$5; Prospect, \$1; Quincy, \$2.80; St. Mary's, \$6.85; St. Paul, \$3.50; Sidney, \$30; Tinney, \$5; Toledo: Broadway, \$5; Epworth, \$10; St. Paul, \$20; Van Wert, \$6.87; Wapakoneta, \$6.87.

Total, \$351.29.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$530.29.

**Beneficiary Funds.**—*Haven Home.*—Toledo: St. Paul Young Ladies, \$25.33; Total, \$25.33.  
*Alaska.*—Bryan, \$6; Fostoria, \$15; Toledo: St. Paul, \$5. Total, \$26.  
*Asheville.*—Mt. Victory, \$52.95. Total, \$52.95.  
*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Bellefontaine, \$25; Lima: Trinity, \$20; Toledo: St. Paul, \$10; Van Wert, \$15. Total, \$70.  
*Oriental Work.*—Dunkirk: Epworth League, \$5. Total, \$5.  
*Ritter Home.*—Lima: Trinity, \$30; Toledo: St. Paul, \$8. Total, \$38.  
*Stickney Home.*—Fremont, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Beneficiary, . . . . . \$227.28.

**Special Funds.**—*Asheville.*—Bloomdale, \$3; Defiance, \$11.80; Young Ladies, \$20; Delphos, \$13.25; Edgerton, \$4; Findlay: First Church, \$52.09; Fostoria, \$15; Fremont, \$10; Gibsonburg, \$9; Lima: Trinity, \$25; Ottawa, \$30; Quincy, \$2.20; Sidney, \$45; Tinney, \$20.25; Toledo: Epworth, \$10.80; Ironville, \$1; St. Paul, \$50. Total, \$322.39.

*Immigrant, New York.*—Toledo: St. Paul, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Toledo: St. Paul, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Glenn Home.*—Voucher, \$10.

*Yakima Indian Mission.*—Delaware: William Street, \$3.84; Gibsonburg, \$5; Toledo: St. Paul, \$5. Total, \$13.84.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$356.23.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,145.09.

### Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MRS. J. P. LUCE, Treasurer, 121 North Thirteenth Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

**General Fund.**—ALTOONA DISTRICT.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$46.75; First Church, \$14.50; Bellefonte, \$26.45; Beech Creek, \$7; Clearfield, \$21.25; Curwensville, \$7.25; Houtzdale, \$8; Hollidaysburg, \$4; Phillipsburg, \$40.50; Tyrone, \$18.75. Total, \$194.45.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Ashland, \$1.50; Berwick, \$29; Bloomingdale, \$3.60; Hazleton, \$12.25; St. Paul, \$5; Mt. Carmel, \$19.37; Mt. Grove, \$7; Sunbury, \$28.10; Jewels, \$6.90; Queen Esther, \$2.50; Shamokin, \$15. Total, \$120.22.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.—Carlisle, \$27.75; Circle, \$2; Chambersburg, \$23; Harrisburg: Grace, \$116.75; Jewels, \$12; Ridge Avenue, \$18.50; Fifth Street, \$15.50; Thirteenth Street, \$17; Jewels, \$17. Total, \$249.50.

JUNIATA DISTRICT.—Bedford, \$6.30; Lewistown, \$17; Jewels, \$1.20; Mt. Union, \$8.15. Total, \$32.65.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.—Emporium: Jewels, \$3.40; Jersey Shore, \$26.75; Jewels, \$3.70; Lock Haven, \$31.25; Milton, \$19; Williamsport: Grace, \$20.25; Circle, \$4; Jewels, \$3.40; High Street, \$12.25; Mulberry Street, \$53.90; Jewels, 90 cents; Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Pine Street, \$60; Jewels, \$8.20; Third Street, \$16; Fourth Street, 75 cents; Queen Esther, \$7.50. Total, \$276.25.

*Leaflet*, \$2.50.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$885.57.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, \$5; Berwick, \$21; Beech Creek, \$5; Carlisle, \$2; Clearfield, \$13; Curwens-

ville, \$1; Harrisburg: Grace, \$5; Mrs. E. Carpenter, \$1; Hollidaysburg, \$1; Jersey Shore, \$1.50; Lock Haven, \$4; Mt. Carmel, 25 cents; Milton, \$5; Phillipsburg, \$8; Shamokin, 25 cents; Sunbury: Queen Esther Circle, \$5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, \$13; Queen Esther, \$5; Pine Street, \$5.50.

Total, \$101.50.

*Missionary Salary.*—Berwick, \$11; Carlisle, \$5; Harrisburg: Grace, \$50; Lock Haven, \$5; Shamokin, \$5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, \$17; Pine Street, \$7.

Total, \$100.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$201.50.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—East Waterford, \$1.05; Hollidaysburg, \$4; Houtzdale, \$1.50; Hazleton, \$1.50; Harrisburg: Thirteenth Street, \$6; Hustontown, \$1; Mercersburg, \$2; Milton, \$5; Montoursville, \$5; Jersey Shore, \$10; Lock Haven, \$5; Phillipsburg, \$5; Port Royal, \$1; Shamokin, \$5; Sunbury, \$10; Queen Esther, \$8.80; Williamsport: Grace, \$15; Mulberry Street, \$18; Queen Esther, \$20; Pine Street, \$4.

Total, \$128.85.

*Asheville.*—Berwick, \$3; Clearfield, \$5; Phillipsburg, \$2.

Total, \$10.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—From mite-boxes, \$50.

Total, \$50.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—From mite-boxes, \$54.80.

Total, \$54.80.

*Oriental Work.*—From mite-boxes, \$30.67.

Total, \$30.67.

*Ritter Home.*—Hollidaysburg, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Stickney Home.*—From mite-boxes, for Isaac Watts, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—From mite-boxes, \$50.

Total, \$50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$404.52.

**Special Fund.**—*To Asheville.*—Altoona: First Church, \$2; Berwick, \$25; Carlisle, \$5; Chambersburg, \$5; Mountain Grove, \$8; Sunbury: Queen Esther, \$10.50; Williamsport: Grace, \$10.

Total, \$65.50.

*Yakima Indian Work.*—Phillipsburg, by voucher, \$7.

Total, \$7.

*Local Deaconess Work.*—By voucher, \$739.

Total, \$739.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—By voucher, \$1.

Total, \$1.

*Rust Hall.*—Harrisburg: Grace, \$10.

Total, \$10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$822.50.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,314.09.

### Cincinnati Conference.

MRS. J. G. R. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati.

**General Fund.**—CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Carthage, \$5; Cincinnati: Asbury, \$11; Avondale, \$33.30; Jewels, 80 cents; Camp Washington, \$1; Christie, \$58; Jewels, \$2.07; Band, \$9.31; Cumminsville, \$19.06; Jewels, 50 cents; Band, \$1; Delhi, \$13.50; Fairmount, \$3; Glenn Home Jewels, \$6; Linwood, \$11; Jewels, \$1; Band, \$1.15; Mt. Auburn, \$16; Jewels, 20 cents; Mt. Lookout, \$35; Jewels, \$5.80; Band, \$4.25; Price Hill, \$19; Jewels, \$1; St. Paul, \$27.20; Jewels, \$2.60; Band, \$2.25; Trinity, \$13.90; Circle, \$7; Walnut Hills, \$93; Jewels, \$8.80; Circle, \$8.50; Band, \$21.50; York Street, \$14; Jewels, \$1.10; Hartwell, \$40; Jewels, \$2.70; Band, \$4; Norwood: Grace, \$45; Jewels, \$12; Winton Place, \$25; Jewels, \$14.30.

Total, \$600.79.

DAYTON DISTRICT.—Brookville, \$9.25; Dayton: Broadway, \$30.15; Jewels, \$7; Circle, \$10.48; Grace, \$61.50; Jewels, \$6.25; Roper, \$68.30; Jewels, \$2.70; Circle, \$21; St. Paul, \$28.75; Jewels, \$1.30; Circle, \$5; Eaton, \$34; Miamisburg, \$26; Middletown, \$39.15; Jewels, 40 cents; Circle, \$6.25; Oxford, \$14; Springboro, \$16.50.

Total, \$387.98.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.—Centenary, \$1; Milford, \$11; Ripley, \$1; Williamsburg, \$1.

Total, \$14.

**HILLSBORO DISTRICT.**—Greenfield, \$20.95; Jewels, \$1.10; Hillsboro, \$37.50; Felicity, \$2.40; Leesburg, \$4.25; Xenia: First Church, \$30.75; Trinity, \$38. Total, \$134.95.

**SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.**—Mechanicsburg, \$15; Piqua: Greene Street, \$92; South Charleston, \$7.25; Jewels, \$5; Springfield: Central, \$45.50; Jewels, 60 cents; Grace, \$13; High Street, \$68; Jewels, \$8.70; Circle, \$8; St. Paul, \$36.35; Jewels, \$1.10; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$60.92; Jewels, \$6.30; Urbana: First Church, \$27; Band, \$4; Grace, \$29.95; Yellow Springs, \$15.80; Book Rooms, 50 cents. Total, \$444.97.

*Leaflets*, \$5.25. Total, \$5.25.

*Advertisements.*—In Annual Report, \$10; Voucher, \$107. Total, \$117.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,704.94.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Cincinnati: Avondale, \$15; Christie, Band, \$5; Cumminsville, \$5; Glenn Home, \$5; Band, \$5; Mt. Auburn, \$5; Mt. Lookout, \$20; Norwood: Grace, \$23; St. Paul, Band, \$5; Trinity, \$26; Walnut Hills, \$45; Winton Place, \$10; Band, \$5; Mrs. S. R. McDaniel, \$5; Dayton: Grace, \$36.25; Raper, \$43; Circle, \$5; St. Paul, \$15; Greenfield, \$9; Epworth League, \$5; Hartwell, \$25; Band, \$2.10; Hillsboro, \$25; Leesburg, \$8; Linwood, \$3; Miamisburg, \$18; Middletown: Broadway, \$5; Oxford, \$4.75; Mechanicsburg, \$2.50; Piqua: Greene Street, \$10; Grace, \$4; Springfield: Central, \$5; High Street, \$21.50; Band, \$8.50; St. Paul, \$11; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$27.75; Urbana: First Church, \$19; Grace, \$12.60; Xenia: First Church, \$11; Circle, \$5; Trinity, \$30; Yellow Springs, \$5; Brookville Epworth League, \$5; Conference pledge, \$18.40. Total, \$579.35.

*Missionary's Salary, Jewett, N. M.*—Yellow Springs, \$1. Total, \$1.

*Oriental Work.*—Yellow Springs, \$1.50. Total, \$1.50.

*Utah.*—Yellow Springs, \$1. Total, \$1.

Total for Salaries, . . . . . \$3.50.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . 582.85.

**Beneficiary Funds.—Bennett Home.**—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Emerson Home.*—Cincinnati: Avondale, voucher, \$25; Mt. Auburn, voucher, \$20. Total, \$45.

*Haven Home.*—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Band, \$18.50. Total, \$18.50.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Circle, for Olga Brown, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Conference pledge, \$36.95.

Total, \$36.95.

*Oriental Work.*—Conference Pledge, \$18.45.

Total, \$18.45.

*Simpson Home.*—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, \$5; Raper: Etta Holder-ness, \$25; Circle, \$5; Piqua: Greene Street, \$10; Troy: Mulberry Street, \$10. Total, \$55.

*Stickney Home.*—Winton Place, Band, \$25; Conference pledge, \$5.95.

Total, \$30.75.

*Thayer Home.*—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, \$7.

*Watts de Peyster.*—Oxford, \$5.

Total, \$5.

Total Beneficiary Funds, . . . . . \$276.85.

**Special Funds.—Asheville.**—Cincinnati: St. Paul, \$10; Dayton: Broadway, \$3; Oxford, \$2; Conference pledge, \$36.95; Walnut Hills, \$5; Yellow Springs, \$1. Total, \$57.95.

*Glenn Home.*—Mite-boxes, \$132.45; \$1,023.25; vouchers.

Total, \$1,155.70.

*Mary Haven Home*.—Avondale, voucher, \$9.70; Walnut Hills, \$2; Springfield: High Street, \$1.60; Conference collections, \$6.30. Total, \$19.60.  
*Jewett, N. M.*—Conference pledge, \$12.50. Total, \$12.50.  
*Rust Hall*.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Circle, to name a window, \$10; Dayton: Broadway, \$10; Ella F. Congdon, \$10; Middletown, \$5. Total, \$35.  
*Simpson Home, Attic Fund*.—Dayton: Broadway, \$5; St. Paul, \$5; Circle, \$5; Grace, \$15; Springfield: Central, Circle, \$5; Urbana: First Church, \$10; Band, \$10. Total, \$55.  
 Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$1,335.75.  
 Grand total, . . . . . 3,900.39.

### Colorado Conference.

MRS. D. K. LEE, Treasurer, 1763 William Street, Denver, Colorado.

**General Fund.**—DENVER DISTRICT.—Denver: Asbury, \$25.14; Jewels, 30 cents; Cameron Memorial, Jewels, \$1.65; Christ Church, \$29.25; Jewels, \$5.16; Fifth Avenue, \$15.50; Grant Avenue, \$6.20; Jewels, \$3; Grace, \$7; Littleton, \$3.90; St. James, \$12.10; Simpson, \$8.75; Jewels, \$2.20; Trinity, \$35; Jewels, \$1.60; University Park, \$12.75; Wheat Ridge, \$19. Total, \$188.50.  
 GREELEY DISTRICT.—Greeley, \$16.50; Sterling, \$15; Jewels, \$2.30; Georgetown: Jewels, \$6. Total, \$39.80.  
 PUEBLO DISTRICT.—Bald Mountain, \$3.60; Colorado Springs, \$22.75; Colorado City, \$6.42; Florence, \$20; Pueblo: Broadway, \$44.75; First Church, \$14; Silver Plume, Jewels, \$1. Total, \$112.52.  
 RIO GRANDE DISTRICT.—Canon City, \$13.35; Monta Vista, \$6.75. Total, \$20.10.  
 SALIDA DISTRICT.—Delta, \$7.25. Total, \$7.25.  
*By Voucher*.—Conference Organizer, \$5; Frontier Work, \$7.50.  
 Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$380.67.  
 Of above amount, \$182.81 received by voucher.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund*.—Pueblo: Broadway, \$10; First Church, \$5. Total, \$15.  
 Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$15.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*To Harwood Home*.—Canon City, \$20.75. Total, \$20.75.  
*Mother's Jewels Home*.—By voucher, \$5.20. Total, \$5.20.  
*Jesse Lee Home*.—Pueblo: Broadway, \$50. Total, \$50.  
 Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$75.95.

**Special Fund.**—*Local Deaconess Work*.—Denver, by voucher, \$716.78.  
*Frontier Work*.—By voucher, \$71.  
*Dulce*.—By voucher, \$15.  
 Total to Special Fund, . . . . . \$802.78.  
 Grand total, . . . . . 1,274.40.

### Columbia River Conference.

MRS. E. M. WOOD, Treasurer, The Dalles, Oregon.

**General Fund.**—Ft. Simcoe Indian Women through Mrs. E. C. Miller, \$10; Conference Gleanings, \$57; Milton, \$11.75; Moscow: Idaho, \$13; Pendleton, \$8.75; Paco, \$1.25; Walla Walla, \$5.75; Rev. E. M. Word, 25 cents.  
 Total General Fund, . . . . . \$107.75.  
 Grand Total, . . . . . 107.75.

**Des Moines Conference.**

MRS. E. M. HOLMES, Treasurer, Boone, Ia.

**General Fund.**—BOONE DISTRICT.—Carroll, \$23; Dallas: Center, \$12.25; Bethel Church, \$9.50; Mite-box, \$5.36; Dana, \$5.75; Grand Junction, \$12.58; Mite-box, \$5.30; Jefferson, \$14.50. Total, \$88.24.  
 COUNCIL BLUFFS DISTRICT.—Missouri Valley, \$2. Total, \$2.  
 CRESTON DISTRICT.—Elliott, \$16.20. Total, \$16.20.  
 DES MOINES DISTRICT.—Des Moines: Capital Park Church, \$6; First Church, \$11.50; Grace Church, \$11.52; Wesley Church, \$6.20. Total, \$35.22.  
 Mite-boxes, \$2.50. Total, \$2.50.  
 Conference Collections, \$13.05. Total, \$13.05.  
 Conference Members, \$5. Total, \$5.  
 Total General Fund, . . . . . \$162.21.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Carroll, \$17; Dallas Center: Bethel Church, \$6.08; Grand Junction, \$10; Jefferson, \$4. Total, \$37.08.  
 Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$37.08.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Des Moines: First Church, \$1; Wesley Church, \$2.55. Total, \$3.55.  
 Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$3.55.

**Special Fund.**—*\*Deaconess Home.*—Des Moines: Vouchers, \$193.22. Total, \$193.22.  
*Jesse Lee Home.*—Des Moines: First Church, \$25. Total, \$25.  
*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Dallas Center, \$10. Total, \$10.  
*Rust Hall.*—Des Moines: Grace, \$1; Prospect Park, \$1. Total, \$2.  
 Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$230.22.  
 Grand total, . . . . . 433.06.

**Detroit Conference.**

MRS. C. H. MORGAN, Treasurer, Vassar, Mich.

**General Fund.**—REPORTED BY DISTRICTS.—Adrian, \$446.78; Bay City, \$331.75; Detroit, \$621.77; Southfield, \$2; Flint, \$381.10; Lake Superior, \$67.80; Port Huron, \$137.45; Saginaw, \$205.87; Mothers' Jewels, \$34.04. Total, \$2,228.56.  
 Of the above amount, \$1,092.43 received by voucher, for Deaconess Work.  
 Frontier Work by voucher, \$257.76.  
 Total General Fund, . . . . . \$2,486.32.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Bay City: Madison Avenue, \$5; Clinton, \$12; Detroit: Central, \$20; Grace, \$5; Gift, \$3.00; Flushing, \$1; Fowlerville, \$2; Flint: Garland Street, \$5; Court Street, \$16; Grand Blanc, \$1; Gift, \$1; Hudson, \$20; Sennon, 50 cents; Marquette, \$5; Marine City, \$5; Port Huron, \$5; Palmer, \$5; Rollin Center, \$12.50; Romeo, \$1; Owosso: First Church, \$5; Scofield, \$3; Stockbridge, \$10; Vernon, \$1; Woodward, \$5.  
 Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$139.

\*See Note, page 121.

*Missionaries' Salaries, Navajo Indians.*—Ypsilanti, \$1.60; Scofield, \$1; Rollin Center, \$1.25; Prospect Hill, 90 cents; Hudson, \$1; Clayton, 90 cents; Sharon, \$1. Total, \$7.65.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$146.65.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Mrs. W. B. Pope, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Oriental Work.*—Birmingham, 50 cents; Detroit: Arnold, 25 cents; Campbell, 50 cents; Cass Avenue, \$2; Central, \$5; Grace, \$1; Lincoln Avenue, \$1; Simpson, \$3; Tabernacle, 50 cents; Preston, \$1; Palmer, \$1; Plymouth, 25 cents; Portius, \$1; Wayne, 25 cents; West Bloomfield, \$1. Total, \$18.25.

*King Home.*—Flint: Court Street, \$3; Fowlerville, \$2.50; Flushing, \$1; Gaines, \$1.25; Howell, \$1; Milford, \$18.50. Total, \$27.25.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Detroit: Lincoln Avenue, \$5; Junior Epworth League through Walter C. Smith, Treasurer, \$25. Total, \$30.

*Ritter Home.*—Detroit: Cass Avenue, \$40. Total, \$40.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Marquette, \$14; Milford, \$20; Howell, \$15.61.

Of above amount of cash \$37.81 sent Treasurer, \$11.80 retained as expense of Mrs. Bliss, organizer. Received by voucher, \$26.10.

Total, \$63.91.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$184.41.

**Special Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Bay City: Madison Avenue, \$10; For Furnishing, \$5; Fremont Avenue, \$3; Flint: Court Street, \$3.25; Voucher, \$5; Ann Arbor District, by Voucher, \$3; Howell, \$2; Grayling, \$1.50; Port Huron: Lapeer Avenue, \$2; Detroit: Arnold by Voucher, \$1; Saginaw: Michigan Avenue, Voucher, \$5; Simpson Church, \$10; Simpson, by Voucher, \$5; Tabernacle, by Voucher, \$4.10; Central, by Voucher, \$20. Total, \$74.95.

*Rust Hall.*—Arnold, 50 cents; Preston, \$2; Pontiac, \$2; Tecumseh, \$2. Total, \$6.50.

*Jewett.*—Tecumseh, \$3; Morenci, 25 cents. Total, \$3.25.

*E. L. Rust Home.*—Clayton, 40 cents; Hudson, 75 cents; Prospect, 40 cents; Rollin Center, 75 cents; Stockbridge, 50 cents; Sharon, 30 cents; Ypsilanti, 90 cents. Total, \$4.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Owosso, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—90 cents. Total, 90 cents.

*Frontier Work.*—By Voucher, \$1,913.45. Total, \$1,913.45.

*\*Deaconess Home, Detroit.*—By Voucher, \$1,662.89. Total, \$1,662.89.

*Loan Library.*—By Voucher, \$101.40. Total, \$101.40.

*Tillman Avenue Mission.*—By Voucher, \$66. Total, \$66.

*Bancroft Rest Home.*—By Voucher, \$13. Total, \$13.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$3,851.24.

Grand total, . . . . . 6,668.62.

### East Maine Conference.

MRS. HARRY STETSON, Kingman, Maine.

**General Fund.**—Dues, without special credit, \$7; Anna Beiler, voucher, \$10.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$17.

\* See Note, page 121.

**Special General Fund.**—Without special credit, \$5.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$5.

**Special Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Without special credit, \$32; for Hospital, \$13.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$45.

Grand total, . . . . . 67.

**East Ohio Conference.**

MISS LYDIA E. DEAL, Treasurer, Dexter City, O.

**General Fund.**—AKRON DISTRICT.—Akron: First Church, \$134.65; South Main Street, \$5; Atwater, \$3.50; Jewels, \$7.10; Bedford, 12.10; Bristolville, \$15.25; Randolph, \$4; Circle, \$5; Rootstown, \$3.50; Warren, \$54.50; Circle, \$16; Windom, \$2.50. Total, \$263.10.

BARNESVILLE DISTRICT.—Barnesville, \$26.50; Bellaire, \$4.60. Total, \$31.10.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, \$29.25; Circle, \$6.50; Band, \$7.75; Dexter City, \$11.50; McConnellsville, \$17.75. Total, \$72.75.

CANTON DISTRICT.—Alliance, \$30; Canton: First Church, \$49.25; Circle, \$7.85; Massillon, \$22.50; Salem, \$15.25. Total, \$130.85.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Asbury, \$18; Broadway, \$5; Epworth Memorial, \$60; Euclid Avenue, \$30; Fairmount, \$14; First Church, \$44; Scoville Avenue, \$39.60; Wade Park, \$20.50; Wilson Avenue, \$23; Woodland, \$14.95; Geneva: First Church, \$33.75; Second Church, \$4; Little Mountain, \$5; Circle, \$1; Mayfield, \$8; Mentor, \$17; Painesville, \$28; Perry, \$22.50; Saybrook, \$2; Thompson, \$11. Total, \$401.30.

NEW PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Coshocton, \$19; Uhrichsville, \$9. Total, \$28.

STEBENVILLE DISTRICT.—East Liverpool, \$43.75; Jewels, \$3.05; Martin's Ferry, \$47.60; Mingo Junction, \$43.85; Jewels, \$2.20; Steubenville: First Church, \$14.50; Hamline, \$25; Wellsville, \$33. Total, \$213.45.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashtabula, \$29.60; Circle, \$2.50; Clark's Corners, \$9.65; Circle, 74 cents; Conneaut, \$16.55; Circle, \$3.45; Jewels, \$2; Cortland, \$23.25; Dorset, \$13.50. Greensburg, 24.25; Gustavus, \$9.50; Jefferson, \$22; Johnsonville, \$2; Kingsville, \$13.30; Mesopotamia, \$5; Randolph, \$4; Circle, \$6; West Mecca, \$9; Wayne, 50 cents. Total, \$196.79.

Leaflet, 50 cents.

Mite-box, \$81.22.

Mothers' Jewels, \$22.75.

Thank Offering, \$6.

Total, \$110.47.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,447.81.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Akron: First Church, \$20; Ashtabula: Circle, \$6.80; Canton: Mite-boxes,\* \$40; Cambridge, \$12; Cleveland, First Church, \$65; Broadway, \$3.81; Epworth Memorial, \$30.75; Euclid Avenue, \$25.45; Fairmount, \$8; Conneaut, \$5; Cortland, \$6.86; Dexter City, \$10; Dorset, \$3; East Liverpool, \$51.39; Geneva: First Church, \$2.55; Kingsville, \$5; Mentor, \$5; Martin's Ferry, \$13.35; North Bloomfield, \$2; Painesville, \$4.16; Perry, \$7.25; Salem, \$16.25; Steubenville: First Church, \$7; Hamline, \$1.70; Warren, \$10; Wellsville, \$38.50.

Total, \$400.82.

*Missionary's Salary.*—Cambridge: Circle, \$21.60; Cleveland: Wilson Avenue, \$6.05; Fairmount, \$5; Kingsville, \$4; To A. M. Smith Home,

\* It was subsequently requested that this should be paid on Miss Gibson's salary, and it was so paid.



Cleveland: First Church, \$40; Miss Gibson, Canton: First Church, \$40;  
East Liverpool, \$10. Total, \$126.65.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$527.47.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Adeline Smith Home.*—Alliance, \$20; Cleveland: Broadway Young Ladies, \$20; Dexter City: Voucher, \$10; East Liverpool, \$5; Massillon, \$20; Steubenville: Hamline, Church, \$10. Total, \$85.\*

*Asheville.*—Akron District, \$7.50; Akron: First Church, \$15; Bristolville, \$2.50; Cambridge, \$15. Total, \$40.

*Harwood Home.*—Conneaut, \$4; East Liverpool, \$13.35; Kingsville, \$3; Gustavus, \$1; Lisbon, \$16; Martin's Ferry, \$10.45; Mingo Junction, \$10.04; Steubenville: First Church, \$5; Hamline, \$12.18; Wellsville, \$4.52. Total, \$79.54.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Cleveland: First Church, \$5; Wilson Avenue, \$6.80; Painesville, \$2.50; Vouchers, \$100. Total, \$114.30.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—East Liverpool, \$4.80. Total, \$4.80.

*Peck Home.*—Conneaut: Voucher, \$6. Total, \$6.

*Ritter Home.*—Cleveland; Wade Park, \$5; Missionary Band, \$20; East Liverpool, \$10; Warren, \$35. Total, \$70.

*Stickney Home.*—Akron: First Church, \$39.04; Salem, \$30. Total, \$69.04.

*Home Not Named.*—Salem, \$5.25; Conference, \$21.25. Total, \$26.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$495.18.

**Special Funds.**—*A. M. Smith.*—Cleveland: First Church, \$25. Total, \$25.

† *Cleveland Deaconess Home.*—Cleveland: Broadway, \$8.01; Mingo Junction, \$6; Conference Vouchers, \$990.26. Total, \$1,004.27.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Cleveland: Epworth Sunday-school, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Rust Hall.*—Fairmount, \$5; Geneva: First Church, \$5. Total, \$10.

*Speedwell.*—Akron: First Church, \$7; Cleveland: Epworth Voucher, \$1. Total, \$8.

Total Special Funds, . . . . . \$1,057.27.

Grand total, . . . . . 3,527.73.

### East Tennessee Conference.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, Treasurer, Bristol, Tenn.

**General Fund.**—BRISTOL DISTRICT.—Chilhowee, 50 cents; Lee Street, \$16; Glade Spring, \$2.50, Greenville, 25 cents; Rural Retreat, \$9.50. Total, \$28.75.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Bethel, \$5; Boyd, \$3; Mite-box, \$2.60. Total, \$10.60.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—Christianburg, \$10.35; Ingham Chapel, \$2; Mt. Pleasant, \$4.50; Juvenile Band, \$1; New River, \$10; Neadmore, \$3; Radford, \$5; Tiptop Circle, 50 cents; Wytheville: Randolph Street, \$23; Circle, \$2.50; without special credit, \$1. Total, \$61.85.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$102.20.

Grand total, . . . . . 102.20.

\* Error in Conference Report, 92 cents.

† See Note, page 121.

*Erie Conference.*

MRS. F. H. BECK, Treasurer, Mayville, N. Y.

**General Fund.**—CLARION DISTRICT.—Big Run, \$1; Brookville, \$20.85; Clarion, \$29.75; Mothers' Jewels, \$2.80; East Brady, \$15.50; Mothers' Jewels, \$6.70; New Bethlehem, \$1; Punxsutawney District Members, \$11.25; Reynoldsville, \$2; Riemersburg, \$2. Total, \$92.85.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brocton, \$20; Chautauqua, \$4.50; East Springfield, \$5.50; Erie: First Church, \$55; Simpson Church, \$21.35; Tenth Street, \$10.70; Forrestville, \$4; Fredonia, \$30.25; Circle, \$3.25; Lockport, \$1; Maysville, \$8.75; Miles Grove, \$2; Northeast, \$33; Portland, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, 10 cents; Silver Creek, \$28.25; Sheridan District Members, \$1; Stockton, \$1; Westfield, \$7. Total, \$251.65.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—Chicora, \$12; Clintonville, \$1; Emberton, \$4.25; Franklin, \$52.65; Oil City: Grace Church, \$85.75; Jewels, \$1; Trinity Church, \$28; Petrolia, \$24.10; Tidioute, \$14.25; Fionesta, \$16; Circle, \$4.55; Titusville, \$33.75; Circle, \$3.63. Total, \$280.93.

JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashville, \$6.50; Bemis Point, 50 cents; Busti, \$1; Mother's Jewels, 10 cents; Cattaraugus, \$8; Columbus, \$2; Corry, \$28.80; Mothers' Jewels, 80 cents; East Randolph, \$8.50; Hamlet, \$2; Jamestown, \$84; Circle, \$9; Mothers' Jewels, \$3.35; Kane, \$27; Mt. Jewett, \$1; Panama, \$15.25; Warren: First Church, \$50.50. Total, \$248.30.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridge Spring, \$22; Cochran, \$1; Conneautville, \$14.95; Dicksonburg, \$4; Espyville, \$4.95; Greenville, \$45; Meadville: First Church, \$32.50; Jewels, \$1.50; Mill Village, \$12.95; Saegertown, \$1; Union City, \$28; Woodcock, \$16. Total, \$183.85.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Balm, \$8.50; Fredonia, \$1.75; Grove City, \$25.75; Hillsville, \$15.40; Mt. Pleasant, \$2.75; New Castle: First Church, \$31.85; District Members, \$2; Epworth Church, \$2; New Wilmington, \$1. Total, \$91.

*Mite-boxes*, \$40.23. Total, \$40.23.

*Interest on Barbour Bequest*, \$9. Total, \$9.

*Leaflet*, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,198.31.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Chautauqua, \$5; Clarion, \$5; Erie: First Church, \$15; Grove City, \$11; Meadville: First Church, \$5; New Castle: First Church, \$6; Oil City: Trinity Church, \$15.09; Pageville, \$3; Petrolia, \$3; Sheridan, \$5; Simpson, \$10; Warren, \$13.41; Mite-boxes, \$11.08. Total, \$112.58.

*Teachers' Salary.*—Haven Home: Brocton, \$10; Brookville, \$4; Cambridge, \$8; Chautauqua, \$4; Clarion, \$10; Conneautville, \$4; Corry, \$5; East Brady, \$6; Erie: First Church, \$20; Tenth Street, 25 cents; Franklin, \$12; Fredonia, \$17.25; Greenville, \$15; Jamestown, \$20; Kane, \$10; Mayville, \$3; Meadville, \$19; Northeast, \$20; Oil City: Grace, \$15; Trinity Church, \$18.91; Pageville, \$8; Panama, \$5; Petrolia, \$4; Portland, \$4; Silver Creek, \$8; Tidioute, \$3; Tionesta, \$4.50; Titusville, \$12; Union City, \$8; Warren Circle, \$16.01; Voucher, \$16.84. Total, \$310.76.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$423.34.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Boylan Home.*—East Grove: Polk Church, Epworth League, voucher, \$14.50. Total, \$14.50.

*Mothers' Jewels.*—Grove City, \$3; Hillsville, \$5; Nazareth, \$5; Oil City: Trinity Church, \$50. Total, \$63.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Warren, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Meadville: First Church, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Ritter Home.*—Jamestown Circle, \$40. Total, \$40.  
*Stickney Home.*—Balm, \$4; Fredonia, \$5; Grove City, \$5; Kane, \$4;  
 Mt. Pleasant, \$2.50; New Castle: First Church, \$17; Oil City: Trinity  
 Church, \$10; Tidioute, \$15. Total, \$62.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$240.

**Special Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Warren Circle, \$10. Total, \$10.  
*Asheville.*—Brookville, \$6; Conneautville, \$4. Total, \$10.  
*Dulce.*—Silver Creek, \$2. Total, \$2.  
*Jesse Lee.*—Chicora, \$15.60; Warren, \$10.14. Total, \$25.74.  
*Mothers' Jewels.*—Corry Circle, \$2. Total, \$2.  
*Rust Hall.*—Chataqua, \$20; Corry \$1; Erie: Simpson Church, \$1;  
 Meadville: First Church, \$2; Warren, \$1; Westfield Epworth League, \$5.  
 Total, \$30.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$79.74

Grand Total, . . . . . 1,941.39.

### Florida Conference.

MRS. W. J. SALMOND, Treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla.

**General Fund.**—JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Jacksonville: Simpson  
 Chapel, \$3.20; Boylan Home, \$1.50; St. Augustine, \$15; Wrightsville, \$8.90.  
 Total, \$28.60.

PALATKA DISTRICT.—Citra, \$3; Key West, \$4.05; Ocala, \$11.85; San-  
 tos, \$1. Total, \$19.90.

JONESVILLE DISTRICT.—Jonesville, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$49.25.

Grand Total, . . . . . 49.25.

### Genesee Conference.

MRS. C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Treasurer, Albion, N. Y.

**General Fund.**—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Buffalo: Asbury, \$42; Central  
 Park, \$10; Delaware Avenue, \$43; Jewels, \$1; Young Ladies, \$30; Grace,  
 Circle, \$3; Hampshire Street, \$15.30; Kenmore, \$11; Linwood Avenue,  
 \$55.60; Circle, \$5.84; Jewels, \$1.70; Ontario Street, \$14.91; Plymouth, \$53.50;  
 Jewels, \$2.61; Richmond Avenue, \$46.50; Circle, \$10; Jewels, \$1.20; River-  
 side, \$36.50; St. Mark's, \$14; Circle, \$9.45; Sentinel, \$13.25; North Tona-  
 wanda, \$19.05. Total, \$439.41.

CORNING DISTRICT.—Addison, \$10.30; Bath, \$16.50; Jewels, \$2.50; Can-  
 isteo, \$18.25; Corning, \$54.95; Jewels, \$6; Hornellsville: Park Church, \$39;  
 Wellsboro, \$16.18; Woodhull, \$6.50. Total, \$170.18.

GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, \$50; Danville, \$16; Genesee, \$35.50;  
 Nunda, \$7.50; Perry, \$18.80; Scottsville, Circle, \$3.60; Silver Spring, \$16.25;  
 Warsaw, \$10.25. Total, \$157.90.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, \$19.05; Barre, \$9; Brockport, \$22.75;  
 Holley, \$8.50; Lockport: First Church, \$14; Lyndonsville, \$2.50; Middle-  
 port, Circle, \$2.50; Royalton, \$4.50; Spencerport, \$6. Total, \$88.80.

OLEAN DISTRICT.—Bradford, \$21.03; Olean: First Church, \$18.30;  
 Pleasant Valley, \$14.75; Portville, \$10.25; Ulysses, \$1.10; Wellsville, \$16.50.  
 Total, \$81.93.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Honeoye Falls, \$28; Lima, \$24; Livonia, \$8;  
 Rochester: Asbury, \$60; Mission, \$2.25; Jewels, 20 cents; Cornhill, \$49.25;  
 Jewels, 95 cents; Epworth, \$33; First Church, \$43.75; Frank Street, \$53;

Jewels, \$10; Band, \$6; Glenwood, \$35.50; Monroe Avenue, \$29; North Avenue, \$24; Walworth, \$16.50; Conference gleanings, \$13. Total, \$436.40.  
*Mite-boxes*, \$12.01. Total, \$12.01.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,386.63.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency Fund.**—Albion, \$3.25; Buffalo: Asbury, \$5; Delaware Avenue, \$75; Young Ladies, \$15; Linwood Avenue, \$5; Richmond Avenue, \$5; St. Mark's, \$5; Canisteo, \$5; Curtis Hollow, \$2.50; Hornellsville: Park Avenue, \$5.25; Lockport: First Church, \$6; Olean, \$11.10; Perry, \$3.70; Pleasant Valley, \$5.80; Rochester: Asbury, \$25; Cornhill, \$5; First Church, \$15; Frank Street, \$15; Glenwood, \$10.

Total, \$222.60.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Rochester: Epworth, \$5.

Total, \$5.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$227.60.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Asheville.**—Canisteo, \$15.

Total, \$15.

*Browning Home.*—Silver Spring, \$12.87.

Total, \$12.87.

*Harwood Home.*—Rochester: Asbury, \$50.

Total, \$50.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Canisteo, \$5; Honeoye Falls, \$25; Lima, \$25; Rochester: Epworth, \$28.

Total, \$83.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Rochester: Cornhill, \$2.

Total, \$2.

*Stickney Home.*—Bath, \$10; Corning, \$17.

Total, \$27.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$189.87.

**Special Fund.—Asheville.**—Hornellsville: Park, \$9.50; Lima, \$5; Olean: Pleasant Valley, \$22; Rochester: Epworth, \$5; First Church, \$5; Frank Street, \$5; Glenwood, \$5.

Total, \$56.50.

*Deaconess Home.*—Buffalo, vouchers, \$752.74.

Total, \$752.74.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Buffalo: Asbury, \$3.04; Geneseo, \$20.

Total, \$23.04.

*Jewett Home.*—Hornellsville: Park, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Hornellsville: Park, \$2.

Total, \$2.

*Mary Haven Home.*—Rochester: First Church, \$1; Monroe Avenue, \$1.

Total, \$2.

*Rest Home.*—Buffalo: Asbury, \$5; Olean: Pleasant Valley, \$2; Plymouth, \$2; Portville, \$2; Rochester: Cornhill, \$2; Epworth, \$2; First Church, \$2; Frank Street, \$2; Richmond, \$1; Voucher, \$5.

Total, \$25.

*Rust Hall.*—Buffalo: Asbury, \$5; Richland Avenue, \$5; Rochester: Frank Street, \$2; Monroe Avenue, \$5.

Total, \$17.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$888.28.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,692.38.

### Holston Conference.

MRS. ALTA A. HEAP, Treasurer, Knoxville, Tenn.

**General Fund.**—ATHENS DISTRICT.—Athens: Young Ladies' Circle, \$36.

Total, \$36.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Knoxville, \$10; Band, \$7; First Church, \$4.50; Voucher, \$4.50; Sale baking powder, \$6; Art display, \$9.01; Mite-box, \$1.32; Dues, \$11.31.

Total, \$53.54.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$89.64.

**Emergency Fund.**—Athens: Ritter Home Missionary Society, \$30.

Total to Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$30.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Ritter Home.*—Conference and other gifts, \$11.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$11.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 130.64.

*Illinois Conference.*

MRS. SARAH E. KING, Treasurer, 719 North Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

**General Fund.**—BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT.—Bloomington: First Church, \$51.65; Mite-boxes, \$1.04; Grace, \$29; Green Valley, \$4.45; Leroy, \$7; Lincoln, \$17; Saybrook, \$12.25. Total, \$122.39.

CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Belle Flower, \$2.50; Champaign, \$26.66; Farmer City, \$11; Fithian, \$6.85; Fisher, \$11; Mahomet, \$3.85; Savoy, \$11; Tuscola, \$7.50; Urbana, \$24.10. Total, \$104.46.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Danville: First Church, \$34; Rossville, \$10.25; Sidney, \$13. Total, \$57.25.

DECATUR DISTRICT.—Decatur: First Church, \$46.25; Grace, \$39.75. Total, \$86.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Chandlerville, \$4; Jacksonville: Grace, \$54; Band, \$4.25; Centenary, \$27.60; Greenfield, \$18; Manchester, \$7.60; Mason City, \$6; Kinderhook, \$1.90; W. Jacksonville, \$6.70. Total, \$130.05.

MATTOON DISTRICT.—Carrollton, \$14.90; Paris: North Avenue, \$6.75. Total, \$21.65.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, \$58; Young Ladies, \$2; Taylorville, \$6.25; Springfield: First Church, \$69.85; Second Church, \$26.50; Circle, \$11. Total, \$173.60.

Total General Fund, . . . \$695.40 (\$2.81 excess of cash received).

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Bloomington First Church, \$15.61; Grace, \$14.40; Leroy, \$13.25; Lincoln, \$13.55; Saybrook, \$2.50; Springfield: First Church, \$7.80; Second Church, \$10; Mrs. S. F. Rigg, \$5; Mrs. Pollick, \$2.50. Total, \$84.61.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Jacksonville: Centenary, \$6; Springfield: Second Church, \$5. Total, \$11.

*Harwood Home.*—Champaign: First Church, \$5; Decatur: First Church, \$5; Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5. Total, \$20.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Bloomington, First Church, \$10; Grace, \$5; Champaign: First Church, \$15; Decatur: First Church, \$10; Grace Church, \$10; Jacksonville: Grace, \$5; Lincoln, \$3; Saybrook, \$5.75; Savoy, \$3.54; Sidney, \$2.50; Springfield, \$10. Total, \$79.79.

*Italian Work.*—Bloomington: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Las Vegas.*—Champaign: First Church, \$5; Decatur: Grace, \$5. Total, \$10.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Decatur: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Jewett.*—Jacksonville: First Church, Circle, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Utah.*—Decatur: First Church, \$5; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5. Total, \$10.

Total Teacher's Salary, . . . . . \$145.79.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . 230.40.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Decatur: Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Grace, \$5. Total, \$10.

*Bennett Home.*—Decatur: Grace, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Harwood Home.*—Bloomington: First Church, \$5; Danville: First Church, \$15.10; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5; Lincoln, \$5; Springfield: First Church, \$10. Total, \$40.10.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Bloomington: First Church, \$5; Decatur: Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Grace, \$5; Quincy: Juniors, \$2.25; Lincoln, \$5; Springfield: First Church, \$10. Total, \$32.25.

*Stickney Home.*—Jacksonville: Grace, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Utah.*—Jacksonville: Centenary, \$4.05; Grace, \$5; Springfield: First Church, \$10. Total, \$19.05.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$116.40.

**Special Funds.**—*Alaska.*—Bloomington: First Church, \$5; Champaign: First Church, \$10; Decatur: First Church, \$10; Grace, \$5; Jacksonville: Centenary, \$5; Springfield: First Church, \$5; Savoy, 66 cents.

Total, \$40.66.

*Deaconess Home.*—Urbana, vouchers, \$389.22.

Total, \$389.22.

*Marcy Home.*—Bloomington: First Church, \$15; Champaign: First Church, \$10; Decatur: First Church, \$15; Jacksonville: Grace, \$5; Savoy, \$4; —, \$2.50; Springfield: First Church, \$10.

Total, \$61.50.

*Rust Hall.*—Carlinville, \$6.

Total, \$6.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$498.38.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,540.58.

### Indiana Conference.

MRS. CLARA S. CHAFFEE, Treasurer, Greencastle, Ind.

**General Fund.**—CONNEERSVILLE DISTRICT.—Brookville, \$24.25; College Corner, \$20.95; Connersville, \$91; Morristown, \$2.20; Robinson Chapel, \$17.75; Rushville, \$23.75; Shelbyville: First Church, \$17; Jewels, \$2.40; Band, \$7.57; West Street, \$10.25; Circle, \$2.95; Jewels, \$1.10. Total, \$221.17.

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Broad Ripple, \$1.85; Franklin, \$19; Greenwood, \$10.75; Indianapolis: Blackford Street, \$1; California Street, \$2.25; Central Avenue, \$82.25; Jewels, \$3.30; Band, \$3.20; Edwin Ray, \$27.25; Jewels, \$3; Grace Church, \$5; Hall Place, \$84.75; Jewels, \$3.20; Lincoln Avenue, \$9; Roberts Park, \$68.50; Jewels, \$1.50; Mite-boxes, \$2.48; Mooresville, \$26.75; Shelbyville: First Church, \$25; Circle, \$3.70; West Street, \$10.85; Circle, \$2.25. Total, \$396.83.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Franklin, \$14.75; Seymour, \$20.30.

Total, \$35.05.

MOORE'S HILL DISTRICT.—Aurora, \$15.50; Greensburg: First Church, \$41.65; Juniors, 90 cents; Band, 85 cents; Jewels, \$1.25; Lawrenceburg, \$27.25; Rising Sun, \$19.25; Vevay, \$6.50. Total, \$113.15.

NEW ALBANY DISTRICT.—New Albany, Young Ladies, \$1.35. Total, \$1.35.

Mite-boxes, \$22.19; Conference gatherings, \$10. Total, \$32.19.

Leaflet Fund, \$2. Total, \$2.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$801.74.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Brookville, \$18.55; Connersville, \$25; Franklin, \$5; Greensburg, First Church, \$5; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$10; Hall Place, \$10; Rising Sun, \$4.50; Rushville, \$4.67; Seymour, \$11.50; Shelbyville, \$10. Total, \$104.22.

*Teacher's Salary, to Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—College Corner, \$2; Connersville, \$5; Indianapolis: Hall Place, \$5. Total, \$12.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$116.22.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Connersville, \$1; Franklin, \$1; Greensburg, \$1; Indianapolis: Hall Place, \$1; Lawrenceburg, \$1; Mooresville, \$1. Total, \$6.

*Allen Home.*—Connersville, \$35.50; Wayside Workers, \$14. Total, \$49.50.

*Bennett Home.*—Indianapolis: Roberts Park, \$40. Total, \$40.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Connersville, \$5; Greensburg, \$11 Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$1; Edwin Ray, \$1. Total, \$18.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Connersville, \$5; Greensburg, \$2.20; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$1; Edwin Ray, \$6; Hall Place, \$1. Total, \$15.20.

*Ritter Home.*—Indianapolis: Roberts Park, \$30. Total, \$30.

*Simpson Home.*—Shelbyville: First Church, voucher, \$5; from Ep-

worth Leagues, Aurora, \$1; College Corner, \$1; Greencastle, \$1; Madison, \$1; Shelbyville: First Church, \$1. Total, \$10.

*Stickney Home*.—Indianapolis: Edwin Ray, \$1; Shelbyville, \$1. Total, \$2.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$170.70.

**Special Fund.**—*Allen Home*.—Aurora, \$5; Connersville, \$25.25; Franklin, \$10; Greensburg, \$25; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$50; Edwin Ray, \$20; Hall Place, \$35; Roberts Park, \$30; Mooresville, \$25; Shelbyville: First Church, \$47.20; West Street, \$5.70; Circle, \$10. Total, \$288.15.

*Deaconess Work*.—Voucher, \$40. Total, \$40.

*Yakima Indian Mission*.—Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$1; Edwin Ray, \$5. Total, \$6.

*Rust Hall*.—Acton Park, \$1.22; Connersville, \$11; Franklin, \$1; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, \$1; Edwin Ray, \$3.19; Hall Place, \$1; Lawrenceburg, 50 cents; Mooresville, \$1; Shelbyville: West Street, \$1.50. Total, \$21.41.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$355.56.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,444.22.

### Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Treasurer, 707 Summer Street, Burlington, Iowa.

**General Fund.**—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Burlington: First Church, \$35.25; Grace Church, \$12.95; Columbus Junction, \$3; Danville, \$1; Fort Madison: First Church, \$9.75; Morning Sun, \$16; Mt. Pleasant, \$40; Mite-boxes, 50 cents; Mt. Union, \$1; West Point, Pitman Chapel Circle, \$4. Total, \$123.45.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Centerville, \$1; Keokuk: Chatham Square, \$12.75; Drakeville, \$1; Libertyville, \$1; Pulaski, \$2; Salina, \$1; Selma, \$2; Troy, \$1. Total, \$21.75.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Amish, \$2; Kalona, \$2; Keota, \$1; Marengo, \$29.20; Jewels, \$1.80; Muscatine: First Church, \$37; Jewels, \$1.50; North English, \$6; Sweetland Center, \$2; Washington, \$61.80; Circle, \$13.50; Jewels, \$8.96; Wellman, \$5; Circle, \$1.65; West Liberty, \$5.75; Williamsburg, \$1.50; Wilton Junction, \$24. Total, \$204.66.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, \$15; Grinnell, \$30; Lynnville, \$1; Montezuma, \$15.50; Jewels, 10 cents; New Sharon, \$1; Pella, \$1. Total, \$63.60.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia, \$19.40; Fremont, \$3; Eddyville, \$1; Hedrick, \$10.70; Mite-jugs, \$1.25; Knoxville, \$17.25; Lovilla, \$8.75; Moravia, \$1; Ottumwa, \$47; Jewels, \$1.50; Unionville, \$1. Total, \$111.85.

*Leaflet Fund*, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$525.56.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund*.—Burlington: First Church, \$5; Grace Church, \$5; birthday offering, \$2.26; Grinnell, \$1; Mt. Pleasant, \$5; Mrs. Levanda Murphy, West Liberty, \$5; West Point: Pitman Chapel Circle, \$5; Wilton, \$5. Total, \$33.26.

*Missionary's Salary*.—Conference, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$38.26.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home*.—Albia, \$12; Brooklyn, \$15; Grinnell, \$8.50; Mt. Pleasant, \$22; Washington, \$25.50. Total, \$83.

*King Home*.—Fort Madison, \$10; Keokuk: Chatham Square, \$1.55; Montezuma, \$5; Muscatine: First Church, \$40; Ottumwa, \$45.50; Washington, \$40; Wellman, 50 cents; Wilton Junction, \$15. Total, \$157.55.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Burlington, Grace Church Band, \$2.10; Washington, \$14.34. Total, \$16.44.

*Oriental Work.*—Burlington: First Church, \$15.50; Marengo, \$5. Total, \$20.50.

*Stickney Home.*—Burlington: First Church, \$30.06; Grace Church, \$9; Mt. Pleasant, \$22. Total, \$61.06.

*Utah.*—Marengo, \$25. Total, \$25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$363.55.

**Special Fund.**—*Des Moines Deaconess Home.*—Burlington: First Church, \$11; Grinnell, \$1.50; Marengo, mite-boxes, \$9.17; Montezuma, \$11.48; Mt. Pleasant, \$6.50; Washington, \$5; Circle, \$5; Wellman, 70 cents; West Point: Pitman Chapel Circle, \$10. Total, \$60.35.

*Rust Hall.*—Albia, \$2; Bloomfield, \$1.34; Burlington: Grace Church, \$5; Fort Madison, \$2.52; Marengo, \$2; Muscatine, \$2.50; Washington, \$2. Total, \$17.36.

*Frontier Work.*—Voucher, \$13.93. Total, \$13.93.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$91.64.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,019.01.

### Kansas Conference.

MRS. ROBT. H. HAWTHORN, Treasurer, 929 Kansas Avenue, Atchison, Kas.

**General Fund.**—ATCHISON DISTRICT.—Atchison, \$26.50; Jewels, \$1. Total, \$27.50.

JUNCTION CITY DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$10.75; Exeter, \$6.25; Morganville, \$11.75. Total, \$28.75.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Argentine, \$8.75; mite-box, \$3.35; Kansas City, \$5.75; Washington Ave., \$27; Lawrence: First Church, \$23.40. Total, \$68.25.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.—Bucks Grove, \$20.50; Centralia, \$12.35; Fancy Creek, \$20.50; Havensville, \$4.50; Manhattan, \$17.50. Total, \$75.35.

TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Burlingame, \$2.50; Topeka, \$46.50. Total, \$49.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$248.85.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Argentine, \$3.50; Atchison, \$5.35; Bucks Grove, \$10; Exeter, \$1.52; Fancy Creek, \$3.50; Manhattan, \$10; Ministers' Conference donation, \$9; mite-boxes, \$1.70. Total, \$44.57.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$44.57.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Bucks Grove, \$5; Manhattan, \$52.50; Topeka, \$50. Total, \$107.50.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Atchison, \$5; Argentine, \$2; Bucks Grove, \$5; Clay Center, \$14.45; Centralia, \$7; Exeter, \$3; Manhattan, \$10; Morganville, \$4; Topeka, \$5. Total, \$55.45.

*Boylan Home.*—Fancy Creek, by voucher, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Seneca, mite-boxes, \$5. Total, \$5.

*E. L. Rust Home.*—Kansas City: Washington Ave., \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$177.95.

**Special Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Topeka: First Church, \$114.26.

Total, \$114.26.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lawrence, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$119.26.

Grand total, . . . . . 590.63.



**Kentucky Conference.**

MRS. MORRIS ESKRIDGE, Treasurer, Hardinsburg, Ky.

**General Fund.**—LEXINGTON DISTRICT.—Lexington: Centenary, \$27.25.  
Total, \$27.25.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.—Hardinsburg, \$16.30; Louisville: Trinity,  
\$56.15. Total, \$72.45.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$99.70.

**Emergency Fund.**—Lexington: Centenary, \$9.17; Louisville, Thank-  
offering, \$11.02.

Total to Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$20.19.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Lucy Webb Hays Home.*—Hardinsburg, by  
voucher, \$20.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$20.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 139.89.

**Louisiana Conference.**

MRS. R. C. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer, 3621 S. Rampart St., New Orleans, La.

**General Fund.**—Alexandria, \$2.86; Boonville, \$1; Bunker, \$2.25; La  
Fayette, \$2; New Iberia, \$2; Pineville, \$2.55. Total, \$12.66.

The following amounts were received last year too late to be reported:  
Lake: Providence, \$6; New Orleans C. District, \$1; Pleasant Plains, \$3;  
Boonville, \$1; Schriver, \$5; Scott Chinn Chapel, \$5; St. James, \$1; St.  
Paul, \$1; Wesley Chapel, \$12; Conference gleanings, \$35. Total, \$70.

Of above amount, \$19.34 was expended in Conference (frontier work).

**Emergency Fund.**—New Orleans: Mrs. D. M. Walker, \$5. Total, \$5.

Grand total, . . . . . \$87.66.

**Maine Conference.**

MRS. A. E. LUCE, Treasurer, South Berwick, Me.

**General Fund.**—AUGUSTA DISTRICT.—Augusta, \$27.25; East Livermore  
Mills, \$5.02; East Wilton, \$2; Fairfield and Fairfield Center, \$6; Farmington,  
\$15; Gardiner, \$37.52; Hallowell, \$17; Kent's Hill, \$17.30; Band, \$3; Liver-  
more Falls, \$1; Monmouth, \$5; New Sharon, \$1; North Augusta, \$1; Read-  
field, \$13; Richmond, \$1; Skowhegan, \$8.75; Waterville, \$3; Wayne, \$5;  
Winthrop, \$4; Wilton, \$17. Total, \$189.84.

LEWISTON DISTRICT.—Auburn, \$12; Bath: Wesley Chapel, \$17.05;  
Beacon Street, \$8; Brunswick, \$1; East North Yarmouth, \$1; Livingston:  
Park Church, \$8; Long Island, \$1; Mechanic's Falls, \$2; Rumford, \$1;  
West Cumberland, \$1.50; West Durham and Powell, \$1; South Paris, 64  
cents; Band, \$2. Total, \$56.19.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Biddeford, \$5; Buxton and Standish, \$1; Cor-  
nish, \$1; Gorham, \$14; North Street, \$2; Kennebunk, \$18.50; Kezar Falls,  
\$1; Knightsville, \$1; Old Orchard, \$2; Portland: Chestnut Street, \$50;  
Pine Street, \$22; Life member, \$20; Congress Street, \$28; Peak's Island,  
\$1; Saco, \$34; Life members, \$60; South Berwick, \$1; South Elliott, \$1;  
South Portland, \$8.25; Westbrook, \$23.70; Band, \$1.30; Woodford's, \$15;  
York, \$11.25. Total, \$322.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$568.03.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Farmington, \$1.60; Gorham, \$1; Hallowell, \$2; Kent's Hill, Young Ladies, \$5.75; Madison, \$5; Portland: Chestnut Street, \$10; Congress Street, \$15; Pine Street, \$10; Saco, \$5; Skowhegan, \$4; Winthrop, \$5. Total, \$64.35.

*Teacher's Salary*, \$5. Total, \$69.35.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$69.35.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Oriental Work, San Francisco.**—From Young Ladies' Christian Endeavor Society of Maine Wesleyan Seminary, \$20; East North Yarmouth, \$5.85; Portland: Chestnut Street, \$10. Total, \$35.85.

*New Jersey Home.*—Auburn: High Street, Band, \$5; Readfield, Band, \$2. Total, \$7.

*Simpson Home.*—Saco, voucher, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$52.85.

**Special Fund.—Rust Hall.**—Kent's Hill, \$5; Portland: Congress Street, \$9.60.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$14.60.

Grand total, . . . . . 704.83.

### Michigan Conference.

MRS. J. G. PLOWMAN, Treasurer, 605 Cass Street, Albion, Mich.

**General Fund.**—ALBION DISTRICT.—Albion, \$63.51; Circle, \$3.06; Charlotte, \$17; Eckford, \$4.50; Homer, \$23.00; Jackson, \$49.35; Hillsdale, \$17; Pittsford, \$4; Parma, \$3; Quincy, \$6. Total, \$190.42.

BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Big Rapids, \$31.50; Jewels, 50 cents; Fair Plains, \$4; Greenville, \$20.25; Shepherd, \$6. Total, \$62.25.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Grand Rapids: Ames Church, \$7.50; Division Street, \$44.50; Circle, \$5.50; Guild, \$21; Joy Memorial, \$11.50; East Street, \$14.78; Circle, \$1; Second Street, \$52; Hastings, \$28; Hesperia, \$1; Lowell, \$4. Total, \$190.78.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.—Charlevoix, \$11.25; Harbor Springs, \$14.25; Petoskey, \$20.25; Manistee, \$11.25. Total, \$57.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.—Allegan, \$18.50; Belleview, \$23.07; Ganges, \$19.95; Kalamazoo: First Church, \$50; Simpson, \$24.25; Kalamo, \$8; Milo, \$7; Otsego, \$13.85; Jewels, 20 cents; Plainville, \$22; Trowbridge, \$16; Vicksburg, \$10.75; West Casco, \$21.50. Total, \$235.07.

LANSING DISTRICT.—Fair Plains, \$1.75; Ionia, \$14; Lansing: First Church, \$15; Central, \$43.50; Mason, \$17.25; Ovid, \$20; Orange, \$8.75; Portland, \$25.45; St. John, \$20. Total, \$165.70.

NILES DISTRICT.—Benton Harbor, \$13.50; Coldwater, \$17; Coulter Chapel, \$14.50; Three Rivers, \$17.50; Union City, \$7.25; White Pigeon, \$14.75; Niles, \$9.75. Total, \$94.25.

*Mite-boxes*, \$29.95. Total, \$29.95.

*Leaflet*, \$3.05. Total, \$3.05.

*Voucher*, \$3.09. Total, \$3.09.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,031.56.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Albion, \$10; Allegan, \* \$5; Charlevoix, \$5; Coulter Chapel, \$5; Grand Rapids: East Street, \$5; Hillsdale, \$5; Kalamazoo: Central Church, \$5; First Church, \$6.50; Mason, \$5; Plainville, \$5; Vicksburg, \$5; without special credits, \$1. Total, \$62.50.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Big Rapids, \$16; Carson City, \$3; Charlevoix, \$5; Charlotte, \$5; Coldwater, \$10; Coulter Chapel, \$5; Crystal Springs Camp-meeting, \$20; Mite-jugs, \$12.32; Ganges, \$1; Fair Plains, \$4; Grand

\* \$2.50 should be added to this amount.

Rapids: Ames Church, \$2.50; Division Street, \$10; Guild, \$20; East Street, \$4; Joy Memorial, \$3; Second Street, \$20; Greenville, \$8; Ionia, \$7; Ionia District, \$5.50; Hastings, \$5; Hillsdale, \$5; Jackson, \$36; Kalama, \$6; Lansing, \$1; Manistee, \$6; Mason, \$1; Orange, \$9; Mite-boxes, \$1.19; Parma, \$2.50; Petoskey, \$5; Portland, \$4; Quincy, \$10; Union City, \$2.75; White Pigeon, \$5; Mite-boxes, \$114.07. Total, \$374.83.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$437.33.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Adeline Smith Home.*—Kalamazoo: First Church, \$30; Three Rivers, \$10. Total, \$40.

*Asheville.*—Bellevue, \$5; Grand Rapids: Second Street, \$40. Total, \$45.

*Mothers' Jewels Home,* \$10. Total, \$10.

*Ritter Home.*—Albion, \$40; Homer, \$10; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, \$2.50; Division Street, \$7; Guild, \$5; East Street, \$6; Joy Memorial, \$5; Lowell, \$5. Total, \$80.50.

*Rust Home.*—Charlotte, \$10; Ithaca, \$5; Lansing: Central, \$10; First Church, \$5; Mason, \$5; Ovid, \$11; St. John, \$20. Total, \$66.

*Stickney Home.*—Allegan, \$5; Kalamazoo: Simpson, \$6; Milo, \$2; Otsego, \$6.30; Plainville, \$9; Trowbridge, \$7; Vicksburg, \$4; West Casco, \$5. Total, \$44.30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$285.80.

**Special Fund.**—*Deaconess Home.\**—Grand Rapids, voucher, \$655.27. Total, \$655.27.

*Deaconess Home.\**—Jackson, voucher, \$137.12. Total, \$137.12.

*Frontier Work.*—Voucher, \$183.04. Total, \$183.04.

*Immigrant Work.*—Voucher, \$5.50. Total, \$5.50.

*Mary Haven Home.*—Grand Rapids: East Street, voucher, \$1; Kalamazoo: Simpson, voucher, \$1; First Church, \$1. Total, \$3.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Bellevue, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Rust Hall.*—Albion District, \$25. Total, \$25.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$1,018.93.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,773.62.

### **Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conference.**

MRS. F. F. SAFFORD, Treasurer, 137 East Fourteenth Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

**General Fund.**—Minneapolis: First Church, \$8.50; Thank-offering, \$6.65; Jewels, \$1.50; Foss, \$6.75; Franklin Avenue, \$10; Forest Heights, \$11.88; Hennepin Avenue, \$19; Simpson, \$24.15; Jewels, \$5.90; Trinity, \$6.62; Wesley, \$26.75; Jewels, 90 cents; Circle, \$2.50; Western Avenue, \$5.84; Collection, 90 cents. Total, \$137.84.

ST. PAUL DISTRICT.—St. Paul: Clinton Avenue, \$1.38; First Church, \$8; Hamline, \$19; Morris, \$3; Trinity, \$8.38; Winnebago, \$1.38. Total, \$41.14.

MANKATO DISTRICT.—Blue Earth City, \$1; Gift, \$2; Elmore, \$2.25; Gift, 75 cents; Rochester, gift, \$2. Total, \$8.

*Mite-boxes,* \$7.03. Total, \$7.03.

*Frontier Work.*—By voucher, \$58.34. Total, \$58.34.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$252.35.

\* See note, page 121.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency Fund.**—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$25; Simpson Church, Thank-offering, \$18; Wesley, \$3.19; St. Paul: Hamline, \$5; Trinity, \$3.50; Merriam Park: Trinity, \$5; Mrs. Perry Harrison, \$5. Total, \$64.69.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . \$64.69.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Asheville Home.**—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$10. Total, \$10.

**Bennett Home.**—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, Young Ladies, \$36.30. Total, \$36.30.

**Dulce Home.**—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$40. Total, \$40.

**Emerson Home.**—Minneapolis: Simpson Church, \$12.50. Total, \$25.

**Jesse Lee Home.**—Minneapolis: Franklin Avenue, \$41.27; Simpson, \$35; Hennepin Avenue, \$46.65; Wesley, \$51.65. Total, \$174.57.

**Oriental Work.**—Minneapolis: Wesley, \$1.70. Total, \$1.70.

**King Home.**—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$10; Trinity, \$10; First Church, \$1.79; Western Avenue, \$9.18; Simpson Church, by voucher, \$10. Total, \$50.97.

**Mothers' Jewels.**—Minneapolis: Fowler Church, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

**Ritter Home.**—St. Paul: First Church, \$47.24; Hamline, \$40; Owatonna, \$10; Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, \$40. Total, \$137.24.

**Utah.**—Minneapolis: Wesley, \$1.65. Total, \$1.65.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$477.93.

**Special Fund.—Jesse Lee Home.**—Minneapolis: Simpson Church, \$15. Total, \$15.

Grand total, . . . . . \$809.97.

### Missouri Conference.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW, Treasurer, Marceline, Mo.

**General Fund.**—HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—Sumner, \$1; Mexico, \$4.85; Marceline, \$4.35; Wakenda, \$1.50. Total, \$11.70.

MARYSVILLE DISTRICT.—Tarkio, \$1. Total, \$1.

KIRKSVILLE DISTRICT.—Kirksville, \$20. Total, \$20.

ST. JOSEPH'S DISTRICT.—Clearmont, \$1; Martinsville, \$8.50; St. Joseph: First Church, \$16.25. Total, \$25.75.

**Mite-box,** 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$58.95.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Ritter Home.**—St. Joseph, \$20. Total, \$20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$20.

**Special Fund.—Mothers' Jewels Home.**—Strawberry, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$10.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 88.95.

### Nebraska Conference.

MRS. F. M. ESTERBROOK, Treasurer, University Place, Neb.

**General Fund.**—BEATRICE DISTRICT.—Beatrice: Centenary, \$20.40; Band, \$1.25; Blue Springs, \$7; De Witt, \$2.50; Fairbury, \$16. Total, \$47.15.

HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, \$4.50; Edgar, \$11.20; Fairfield, \$10.25; Fairmount, \$2.75; Geneva, \$14.25. Total, \$42.95.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Elmwood, \$8.50; Lincoln: Grace, \$17.40; St. Paul, \$28.50; Trinity, \$31.15; Band, 20 cents; Raymond, \$8; University Place, \$26.  
Total, \$119.75.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.—Falls City, \$13; Nebraska City, \$9; Palmyra, \$7; Peru, \$18; Table Rock, \$8; Tecumseh, \$12.45; Weeping Water, \$9.  
Total, \$76.45.

YORK DISTRICT.—Bellwood, \$21.75; David City, \$15.75; Osceola, \$4.45; York, \$7.25.  
Total, \$49.20.

*Mile-boxes*, \$16.65.  
Total, \$16.65.

*Frontier Work*.—By voucher, \$17.95.  
Total, \$17.95.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$370.10.

**Special General Fund.** — *Emergency Fund.* — Bellwood, \$5; David City, \$5; Fairfield, \$3.75; Hastings, \$5; Peru, \$4; Table Rock, \$1.30; Tecumseh, \$5; York, \$15.  
Total, \$44.05.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$44.05.

**Beneficiary Fund.** — *Jesse Lee Home.* — York, Junior League, by voucher, \$13.26.  
Total, \$13.26.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.* — Beatrice: Centenary, \$17; Lincoln: St. Paul, \$50; Superior, \$4; Junior League, \$2; York, \$4.  
Total, \$77.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$90.26.

**Special Fund.** — *Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.* — Lincoln: St. Paul, \$10.  
Total, \$10.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.* — Fairbury, \$1; Hastings, \$10; Loup City, \$5; Minden, \$6.75; Palmyra, \$1.37; Peru, \$6.85; Lincoln: Trinity, \$15.40; University Place, \$2.25; York, \$4.25.  
Total, \$52.87.

*Frontier Work*.—Voucher, \$7.65.  
Total, \$7.65.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$70.52.

Grand total, . . . . . 574.93.

### Newark Conference.

MRS. C. M. BLAINE, Treasurer, 545 Orange Street, Newark, N. J.

**General Fund.** — ELIZABETH DISTRICT. — Cranford, \$17; Elizabeth: Park Church, \$19.23; Circle, \$3; Plainfield: First Church, \$35; Jewels, \$2; Circle, \$7; Grace Church, \$22; Band, \$4.50; St. James, \$54.57; Westfield, \$30; Circle, \$20; young ladies, \$10; without special credit, \$2.65.  
Total, \$226.95.

JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Bergen Point, \$12.02; Jewels, \$1.60; Jersey City: Englewood, \$2; Emory, \$10.50; Centenary, \$14.31; Circle, \$1.65; Grace, Band, \$3.41; West Side Avenue, \$31.57; Band, \$3.60.  
Total, \$80.66.

NEWARK DISTRICT.—Bloomfield, \$31; Circle, \$1.20; East Orange: Calvary, \$134.14; Circle, \$8.50; Jewels, \$11; Band, \$7.02; Sanford Street, League, \$1.42; Madison, \$17; Mont Clair, \$73.25; Jewels, \$4.40; Morristown, \$115; Newark: Centenary, \$25; Circle, \$20; Central, \$32.05; Circle, \$6; Eighth Avenue, \$27.50; Halsey Street, \$77; Jewels, \$3; Roseville, \$85.50; Band, \$5.50; St. Luke, \$35; St. Paul, \$36; Mt. Tabor, \$17; Trinity, \$17.30; Orange: First Church, \$46; Bands, \$9.20.  
Total, \$845.98.

PATERSON DISTRICT. — Boonton, \$9.80; Circle, \$3; Dover, \$13.43; Newton, \$43.75; Jewels, 50 cents; Paterson: Grace, \$32; Market Street, \$43.25; Wesley, \$19; Passaic, \$12; Washington, \$27.  
Total, \$203.73.

*Leaflet*, 75 cents.  
Total, 75 cents.

*Mile-boxes*, \$34.12.  
Total, \$34.12.

*Conference Collection*, \$41.  
Total, \$41.

By voucher, half dues Deaconess Home, Jersey City, \$21.88; Conference Organizer, by voucher, \$4.08. Total, \$25.96.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,459.17.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency Fund.**—Bloomfield, \$5; Bergen Point, \$5; Cranford, \$7; East Orange: Calvary, Christophorus Circle, \$10; Centenary, \$7; Sanford, \$3.05; Madison, \$10; Englewood, \$7; Westfield, \$8.75; Newark: Centenary, \$5; Rossville, \$12; St. Paul, \$12; St. Luke, \$25; Orange: First Church, \$10; Mont Clair, \$19.30; Newton, \$5; Plainfield: First Church, \$9.70; Jersey: West Side, \$5; Elizabeth: St. James, \$34. Total, \$199.50.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Navajo Indian Work: Roseville, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$204.50.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Harwood Home.**—East Orange: Calvary, Golden Rule Circle, \$55.74; Christophorus Circle, \$25; Newark: St. Paul, \$5; Elizabeth: Park Church, \$25. Total, \$110.74.

*Haven Home.*—Bloomfield: Park Church, voucher, \$7.15. Total, \$7.15.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Newark: Roseville, \$25; East Orange: Calvary, \$25. Total, \$50.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Jersey City; Englewood, \$5; East Orange: Calvary, \$10; Mont Clair, \$5; Bergen Point, \$2; Newark: St. Paul, \$10; Halsey Street, \$5; Roseville, \$5; St. Paul, \$10; Paterson: Market Street, \$10. Total, \$62.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Morristown, \$16.37. Total, \$16.37.

*Ritter Home.*—Mont Clair, \$10; Mt. Tabor, \$15. Total, \$25.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Elizabeth: St. James, \$100; Plainfield: Grace, Queen Esther Circle, \$30. Total, \$130.

*Stickney Home.*—Newton: Halsey Street, \$7; St. Luke, \$10; Plainfield: First Church, \$4. Total, \$21.

*Boylan Home.*—Newark: Halsey Street, \$30; St. Luke, by voucher, \$53. Total, \$68.

*New Jersey Home.*—East Orange: Calvary, \$48; Morristown, by voucher, \$25; Morristown, \$15. Total, \$88.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$593.26.

**Special Fund.—Bancroft Rest Home.**—Englewood, \$2; by voucher, East Orange, \$100; Mont Clair, \$10; for furnishing, \$170; without special credit, \$524.99. Total, \$806.99.

*Deaconess Home, Jersey City.*—By voucher, \$290.13.\* Total, \$290.13.

*Harwood Home.*—East Orange: Calvary, \$2.60; Golden Rule, \$4.85; Mt. Tabor, \$8. Total, \$15.45.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—East Orange: Calvary, by voucher, \$20; Englewood, \$4. Total, \$24.

*Jewett, New Mexico.*—Plainfield: First Church, \$20; Grace, \$10; Cranford, \$5. Total, \$35.

*Boylan Home.*—By voucher, \$20. Total, \$20.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Newark: Centenary, \$50; St. Luke, \$25. Total, \$75.

*Rust Hall.*—Newark: Halsey Street, \$10; Eighth Avenue, \$10; St. Paul, \$20. Total, \$40.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$1,306.57.

Grand total, . . . . . 3,563.50.

\* See note, page 121.

*New England Conference.*

MISS E. J. WEBSTER, Treasurer, 28 Greenwich Park, Boston, Mass.

**General Fund.**—BOSTON DISTRICT.—Boston: Baker Memorial, \$21; People's Temple, \$10; St. John, \$28; Temple Street, \$50; Tremont Street, \$78; Jewels, \$7.40; Circle, \$2.25; Winthrop Street, \$53; Jewels, \$7.50; Cheerful Workers, \$3; Brookline, \$28.70; Jewels, 10 cents; Dorchester, \$34; Eggleston Square, \$10.20; Jewels, \$3.35; Hyde Park, \$32; Jewels, \$5.77; Jamaica Plain, \$6; Natick, \$14.75; Newton, \$18.80; Newton Center, \$27; Newtonville, \$14; Jewels, \$2; Roslindale, \$20; Stanton Avenue, \$18.20; Circle, \$5; Wollaston, \$5.75; Conference collection, \$26.80.

Total, \$532.57.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Oxford, \$10; Webster, \$19.20; Worcester, \$72.50; Faith Fund, \$26.79.

Total, \$128.49.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT.—Cambridge: Epworth, \$10; Jewels, \$5; Grace, \$14; Harvard Street, \$33; Charlestown: Trinity, \$11; Monument Square, \$7.25; Hudson, \$11; Lowell: St. Paul, \$12; Somerville: Broadway, \$14; First Church, \$46; Third Street, \$26; Park Avenue, \$30.25; Thank-offering, \$7.75; Jewels, 90 cents; Band, 50 cents; Waltham: Asbury, \$5; Immanuel, \$10; Watertown, \$24.50; Winchester, \$14; Jewels, \$3.10; Woburn, \$12.50.

Total, \$297.75.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Athol, \$34; Belchertown, \$4; Clinton, \$3; Fitchburg, \$21; Jewels, \$2.25; Leominster, \$24; West Fitchburg, \$30.50.

Total, \$118.75.

LYNN DISTRICT.—Asbury Grove, \$5; Belmont, \$26; Jewels, \$10.70; Beverly, \$13; Chelsea: Meridian Street, Jewels, \$5; Walnut Street, \$20; East Boston: Saratoga Street, \$43; Everett Street, \$20; Faulkner, \$4; Gloucester, \$10; Jewels, \$3; Ipswich, \$12; Jewels, \$2; Lynn Common, \$81; Circle, \$5.50; Jewels, \$4.50; South Street, \$25; Malden Center, \$100; Jewels, \$8.45; Marblehead, \$11; Melrose, \$67; Jewels, \$2; Peabody, \$18; Revere, \$10; Salem: Wesley, \$20; Jewels, \$4; Winthrop, \$18; Jewels, \$3; St. Paul, \$15; Jewels, \$2.30; Immigrant Home Sewing-school, \$6.

Total, \$574.45.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Brightwood, \$2; Chicopee Falls, \$37; Merrick, \$2.75; Jewels, \$1; Southbridge, \$12; Springfield, \$130; Jewels, \$8; Jewels, through Miss Van Marter, \$1.

Total, \$255.25.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,907.26.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Athol, \$9.50; Boston: Temple Street, \$5; Tremont Street, \$10; Brookline, \$10; East Boston: Saratoga Street, \$5; Fitchburg, \$5; Hampden, \$1; Hudson, \$5; Hyde Park, \$5; Ipswich, \$5; Lynn Common, \$6; South Street, \$5; Malden Center, \$12; Melrose, \$9; Roslindale, \$5; Salem, \$15; Shrewsbury, \$5; Somerville: Park Avenue, \$10; Springfield, \$5; Watertown, \$7; Westfield, \$7; Winthrop, \$20.

Total, \$166.50.

*Missionary's Salary.*—Jewett, N. M.: Springfield, \$20.

Total, \$20.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$186.50.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Boston: Winthrop Street, \$10; Eggleston Square, \$4; Brookline, \$5; Gloucester, \$10; Springfield, \$13; Somerville: Park Avenue, \$5; Webster, \$5; Worcester, \$13.

Total, \$65.

*Bennett Home.*—Boston: Tremont Street, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Boylan Home.*—Malden Center, \$45.

Total, \$45.

*Browning Home.*—Boston: St. John's, \$10; Winthrop Street, \$20; voucher, \$5; Circle, \$10; Warren Street, voucher, \$9.30; Hyde Park, \$10; Lynn: South Street, voucher, \$5.

Total, \$69.30.

*Dulce.*—Hyde Park, voucher, \$2.

Total, \$2.

<i>Emerson Home.</i> —Somerville, \$20.	Total, \$20.
<i>E. L. Rust Home.</i> —Lynn: South Street, \$10.	Total, \$10.
<i>Harwood Home.</i> —Newton Center, \$10.	Total, \$10.
<i>Haven Home.</i> —Lynn Common, Circle, \$40; Malden, \$25; Malden Center, \$25.	Total, \$90.
<i>Jesse Lee Home.</i> —Boston: Temple Street, \$25; Bromfield Street, \$4; Tremont Street, \$50; Winthrop Street, \$2.50; Brookline, \$2.50; Dorchester, \$6.25; East Boston: Saratoga Street, \$2.50; Hyde Park, \$5; Lowell: St. Paul, \$12; Lynn: St. Paul, \$20; Malden Center, \$1.25; Somerville: Park Avenue, 25 cents; Webster, \$5; Winchester, \$2; Woburn, \$3.75; Worcester, \$8.	Total, \$150.
<i>Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.</i> —Boston: Tremont Street, \$5; Winthrop Street, \$11; Belmont, \$2; Brookline, \$5.30; Dorchester, \$3; Stanton Avenue, \$5; Hyde Park, \$8; Everett, \$7; East Boston: Saratoga Street, \$2; Hudson, \$10; Lynn Common, \$3; L. W. H. Band, \$3; Malden Center, \$4.70; Melrose, \$5; Newton, \$2; Newton Center, \$7; Salem, \$2; Springfield, \$5; Worcester, \$8.	Total, \$98.
<i>Ritter Home.</i> —Boston: Tremont Street, Band, \$40.	Total, \$40.
<i>Simpson Home.</i> —Dorchester, voucher, \$6; Lynn Common, Circle, \$5; Salem, \$10.	Total, \$21.
<i>Stickney Home.</i> —Chicopee Falls, \$10; Melrose, \$22; Newtonville, \$5; Springfield, \$5.	Total, \$42.
<i>Thayer Home.</i> —Boston: Winthrop Street, \$40; Malden Center, \$110; Springfield, \$25.	Total, \$175.
<i>Watts de Peyster Home.</i> —Boston: Baker Memorial, \$1; Tremont Street, \$1; Winthrop Street, \$1; Cambridge: Grace, \$10; Brookline, \$6; Eggleston Square, \$2; Hyde Park, \$5; Newton, \$4; Newtonville, \$5; Salem, \$10; voucher, \$5; Worcester, \$10.	Total, \$60.
<i>Oriental Work.</i> —Boston: Tremont Street, \$2; Hyde Park, \$2; Cambridge: Epworth, 50 cents; Somerville: First Church, 50 cents; Flint, 50 cents; Park Avenue, 25 cents; Ipswich, \$1; Lynn: South Street, \$1; Woburn, \$2.25.	Total, \$10.
<i>King Home.</i> —Chicopee Falls, \$10; Somerville: First Church, \$10.	Total, \$20.
Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$967.30.	
<b>Special Fund.</b> — <i>Bennett Home.</i> —Somerville: First Church, \$97.33.	Total, \$97.33.
<i>Immigrant Home, Boston.</i> —Voucher, \$262.06.	Total, \$262.06.
<i>Jesse Lee Hospital.</i> —Through Mrs. Beiler, Winchester, \$2; without special credits, \$5.	Total, \$7.
<i>Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.</i> —Worcester, \$2.	Total, \$2.
<i>Rust Hall.</i> —Hudson, Mrs. L. T. Jefts, \$100; Webster, \$20.	Total, \$120.
<i>Yakima Indians.</i> —Cambridge Indian Association, \$20; Lawrence, \$12; Merrick, \$1.50.	Total, \$33.50.
Total Special Funds, . . . . .	\$521.89.
Grand total, . . . . .	3,582.95.

### ***New England Southern Conference.***

MRS. ELENOR J. COOPER, Treasurer, 3 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**General Fund.**—NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT.—Bryantville, \$9.50; Cottage City, \$20; Jewels, \$1; Fall River: Union, \$36; Circle, \$14.50; Fair Haven, \$18; Marston's Mills, \$1; Middleboro, \$20; New Bedford: County Street, \$19; Orleans, \$3; Plymouth, \$6; Taunton: Grace Church, \$23.25; Whitman, \$18; Yarmouth Camp, \$6. Total, \$195.25.



**NORWICH DISTRICT.**—Burnside, \$13; Hazardville, \$12; Jewett City, \$10; Manchester, \$7.50; New London, \$31; Circle, \$8.75; Band, \$5; Norwich, \$37; Niantic, \$16; Jewels, \$1; Band, \$10; Rockville, \$12; South Manchester, \$25; Stafford Springs, \$50; Willamantic, \$21; Band, \$10.50; Willamantic Camp, \$10. Total, \$279.75.

**PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.**—Attleboro, \$17.22; Bristol, \$21; Brockton: Central Church, \$34; South Street, \$30; East Greenwich, \$3; East Weymouth, \$26; Newport: First Church, \$33; Pawtucket, \$10.75; Providence: Union, \$178; Jewels, 40 cents; Circle, \$15; Stoughton, \$6.25. Total, \$374.62.

*Gifts.*—Attleboro, \$1; Newport: First Church, \$23; Mrs. N. C. Alger, Loan Fund, \$40; Conference gatherings, \$20.50; Mite-boxes, \$24.07. Total, \$108.57.

*Leaflet Fund,* \$2. Total, \$2.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$960.19.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—East Weymouth, \$10; Fall River: Union, \$25; Fairhaven, \$5; Hockanum, \$1; New Bedford: County Street, \$10; New Bedford District, \$10; New London, \$27.58; Circle, \$5; Norwich: Trinity, \$15; Plymouth, \$3; Portland, \$2; Rockville, \$2; Stafford Springs, \$5; Taunton: Grace, \$30; Mrs. Harwood, \$5. Total, \$155.58.

*Teachers' Fund.*—*To Browning Home.*—Plymouth, \$1. Total, \$1.

*Immigrant Home.*—New York: Plymouth, \$1. Total, \$1.

*King Home.*—Brockton: Central Church, \$8. Total, \$8.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$165.58.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Asheville.*—New London: Circle, voucher, \$20. Total, \$20.

*Browning Home.*—Centerville, voucher, \$8.29; East Greenwich, \$1.66; East Weymouth, \$3; Fall River: Union Circle, \$40; Fairhaven, \$13.08; Hazardville, \$16; New Bedford: County Street, \$10; Providence: Union, \$40; Stafford Springs, \$2; Warehouse Point, \$3; Wickford, \$2.30; Providence: Union, by voucher, \$40. Total, \$179.33.

*Emerson Home.*—Mystic, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Dulce.*—Fall River: Union, voucher, \$7.16. Total, \$7.16.

*King Home.*—Brockton: Central Church, \$10.46. Total, \$10.46.

*New Jersey Home.*—Mansfield, \$1. Total, \$1.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Fall River: Union, \$2; New London, \$1; Circle, \$5; Norwich, \$1; Providence: Union, \$20. Total, \$29.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—New London: Circle, voucher, \$20; Band, \$5. Total, \$25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$281.95.

**Special Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Bristol, \$1; Brockton: South Street, \$1; East Weymouth, \$6; Fall River: Union, \$2; Circle, \$4; Middleboro, \$1; New London, \$3; Norwich, \$5; Plymouth, \$1; Providence: Union, \$17; Taunton: Grace, \$1.50; Whitman, \$1; Conference, \$6.50; Mrs. A. B. Tregaskis, voucher, \$5. Total, \$55.

*Browning Home.*—Fall River: Union Circle, \$10; New London, \$5; Circle, \$5; Norwich, \$5; Norwich District, voucher, \$25; Providence: Union, \$55; Willamantic, \$10; Voucher, \$3. Total, \$118.

*Deaconess Work.*—New London: Band, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Yakima Indian Mission.*—Jewett City, \$1.25; New London, \$2; Newport: First Church, \$2; Norwich, \$3. Total, \$8.25.

*Frontier Work.*—New London: Circle, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$196.25.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,603.97.

*New Hampshire Conference.*

MRS. J. D. FOLSOM, Treasurer, Grasmere, N. H.

**General Fund.**—CONCORD DISTRICT.—Bethlehem, \$13.75; Jewels, \$3; Concord: Baker Memorial, \$19; First Church, \$18; Lisbon, \$15; Suncook, \$32.05; Tilton, \$22.25. Total, \$123.05.

DOVER DISTRICT.—Amesbury, \$20.25; Jewels, 40 cents; Dover, \$14; Greenland, \$19; Jewels, 3.20; Haverhill: First Church, \$14; Jewels, 50 cents; Circle, \$12; Grace Church, \$53; Jewels, \$1.10; Lawrence: First Church, \$44; Garden Street, \$1; Newfield, \$7.50; Rochester, \$18.75; Salisbury, \$12; Somersworth, \$3.75. Total, \$224.45.

MANCHESTER DISTRICT.—Claremont, \$15; Contoocook: Jewels, \$1; Goffstown, \$1; Grantham, \$1; Grasmere, \$1; Keene, \$17; Young Ladies, \$2.50; Manchester: St. Paul's, \$24; Marlboro, \$10; Jewels, 50 cents; Nashua, \$12.25; Salem: Pleasant Street, \$5; First Church, \$5.25; Sunapee, \$14.75; Jewels, \$1.50; Claremont Camp-meeting, \$2. Total, \$113.75.

*Leaflet Fund*, \$1. Total, \$1.

*Mothers' Jewels*, \$21. Total, \$21.

*Organizers' Voucher*, \$6.75. Total, \$6.75.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$490.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Bethlehem, \$19; Junior League, \$5; Concord: First Church, \$15; Dover, \$5; Haverhill: Grace, bequest of Mary E. Osgood, \$75; First Church, \$6.10; Lawrence: First Church, \$6; Garden Street, \$11; "Mrs. Thankful," \$5; Newfields, \$3.50; Manchester: St. Paul's, \$5; Suncook, \$3.25. Total, \$158.85.

*Teachers' Salary, Boylan Home.*—Haverhill: First Church, voucher, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$163.85.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Amesbury, \$2.27; Bristol, \$2; Greenland, \$1; Haverhill: First Church, \$1; Grace Circle, \$5.23; Lisbon, \$1.25; Newfield, \$1; Suncook, \$2.65. Total, \$16.40.

*Boylan Home.*—Grasmere, voucher, \$2.90; Haverhill: Grace, voucher, \$73; Cash, \$48; Manchester: St. Paul's, \$30; Voucher, \$7; North Grantham, \$5; Sunapee, \$10; Claremont and Wilmot Camp-meetings, voucher, \$8.85. Total, \$184.75.

*Emerson Home.*—Haverhill: Grace, voucher, \$25. Total, \$25.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Bethlehem, \$6; Claremont, \$5; East Haverhill, \$2; Grantham, \$3.20; Haverhill: First Church, \$2.15; Third Church, \$2; Junior League, 50 cents; Salem: First Church, \$1.75; Junior League, 25 cents; Conference gatherings, \$7.89. Total, \$30.74.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—South Lawrence, \$5. Total, \$5.

*New Jersey Home.*—Haverhill: First Church, \$6; Voucher, \$11. Total, \$17.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Conference gatherings, \$1.68; East Haverhill, \$1; Grantham: Junior League, \$2.80; Penacook, \$3; Tilton, \$1.52. Total, \$10.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Conference gatherings, \$5.43; Chesterfield, \$1.25; Grasmere, \$1.16; Greenland, \$2.25; Methuen, \$1. Total, \$11.09.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$299.98.

**Special Fund.**—*Alaska.*—Lebanon, \$5; Haverhill: First Church, \$2.50. Total, \$7.50.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$7.50.

Grand total, . . . . . 961.33.

*New Jersey Conference.*

MRS. S. J. TURNER, Treasurer, 410 North Fourth Street, Camden, N. J.

**General Fund.**—BRIDGETON DISTRICT.—Bridgeton: Central Church, \$39; Commerce Street, \$26.50; Jewels, \$1; Trinity, \$27; Clayton, \$33.80; Erma, \$1; Ocean City, \$7.75; Salem: Broadway, \$18.75; Vineland: First Church, \$83.75; Juniors, \$3.60; Circle, \$5; Band, \$3.54; Jewels, \$3.70; Woodstown, \$33. Total, \$287.39.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, \$20.68; Camden: Broadway, \$107.75; Circle, \$13.16; Band, \$2.37; Jewels, \$4.50; Centenary, \$82.75; Circle, \$2.66; Juniors, \$5.75; Jewels, \$4.80; First Church, \$69.50; Circle, \$5; Jewels \$1.70; State Street, \$12.25; Tabernacle, \$51; Mission, \$3.75; Jewels, \$2.30; Union Church, \$83; Circle, \$2.15; Jewels, \$1.50; Mission, \$3.65; Collingwood, \$5; Cramer's Hill, \$18.65; Haddonfield, \$24.25; Jewels, \$2.20. Total, \$530.32.

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.—Asbury Park: First Church, \$35; Cranberry, \$18.50; Manasquan, \$26; Milltown, \$7; New Brunswick, \$15; New Egypt, \$3; Ocean Grove, \$64; Circle, \$3.50; Jewels, 80 cents; Red Bank: Grace Church, \$13; Sea Bright, \$42. Total, \$227.80.

TRENTON DISTRICT.—Ocean City, \$5; Pennington, \$10; Rancocas, \$4; Trenton: Central Church, \$36.25; First Church, \$108; State Street, \$62; St. Paul's, \$30.75. Total, \$256.

*Mile-boxes*, 31 cents.

Total, 31 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,301.82.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Asbury Park: First Church, \$5; Bridgeton: Commerce Street, \$5; Trinity, \$5; Camden: Broadway, \$27.94; Centenary, \$25; Circle, \$10; First Church, \$31; State Street, \$1; Tabernacle, Circle, \$5; Haddonfield, \$10.27; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, \$5; Band, \$12; Pennington, 70 cents; Rancocas, \$1; Salem: Broadway, \$10; Sea Bright, \$10; Trenton: Central, \$1; First Church, \$16.65; St. Paul, \$2.60; State Street, \$4.55; Trinity, \$5; Vineland: First Church, \$1. Total, \$194.71.

*Teacher's Salary, Jewett, New Mexico.*—Bridgeton District, \$4.

Total, \$4.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Camden: First Church, voucher, \$3.25.

Total, \$3.25.

*Utah.*—Camden: Centenary, \$5; First Church, \$5; Union Church, \$5; Camden District, \$5; Trenton: First Church, \$5. Total, \$25.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$226.96.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Camden: Centenary, \$10; Trenton: State Street, \$10; Woodstown, \$1.50. Total, \$21.50.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Blackwood, \$2; Camden: First Church, \$5; State Street, \$1.50; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, \$5; Red Bank: Grace Church, \$2; Sea Bright, \$2; Trenton: St. Paul, \$2.50; First Church, \$5. Total, \$25.

*New Jersey Home.*—Camden: Broadway, \$5; Centenary, \$10; First Church, \$5; Union Church, \$5; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, \$2; Trenton: First Church, \$5. Total, \$32.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Bridgeton: Commerce Street, \$10; Clayton, \$5; Camden: Broadway, Circle, \$5; Centenary, Circle, \$2; First Church, \$5; Asbury Park: First Church, \$3. Total, \$30.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Manasquan, \$5; Sea Bright, \$5; Trenton: St. Paul's, \$5; Woodstown, \$1.50. Total, \$16.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$125.

**Special Fund.—Asheville.**—Camden: Broadway, \$5; Centenary, \$5.

Total, \$10.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Trenton: State Street, \$5.

Total, \$5.

*Harwood Home.*—Miss M. J. Wood, voucher, \$2.80.

Total, \$2.80.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Voucher, \$3.25.

Total, \$3.25.

*Kent Home.*—Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, \$6.

Total, \$6.

*Mary Haven Home.*—Voucher, \$3.

Total, \$3.

*New Jersey Home.*—Camden: Centenary, \$5; Broadway, Circle, \$2;

First Church, Circle, \$2; Auxiliaries, not named, \$116.

Total, \$125.

*Rest Home.*—Asbury Park: First Church, \$50; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, \$100; Voucher, \$17.10.

Total, \$167.10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$322.15.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,975.93.

**New Mexico Mission.**

MRS. R. Y. SHORT, Treasurer, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

**Emergency Fund.**—Las Vegas: First Church, \$6.

Total, \$6.

Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$6.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Albuquerque, \$25; Las Vegas:

First Church, \$37.86; Silver City, \$5.

Total, \$67.86.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$67.86.

**Special Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Rev. W. A. Phelps, \$1; For furniture in the Home, \$20.

Total, \$21.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$21.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 94.86.

**New York Conference.**

MRS. J. A. PUNDERFORD, Treasurer, 127 West Seventieth Street, New York.

**General Fund.**—KINGSTON DISTRICT.—Kingston: Clinton Avenue, \$4.50; St. James, \$36.50; Trinity, \$45.73.

Total, \$86.73.

NEWBURG DISTRICT.—Newburg, \$3.

Total, \$3.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—New York: Brewster, \$21; Calvary, \$28.50; Carmel, \$11; Chatham, \$27.25; Coxsackie, \$7.50; Duane Street, \$5; Eighteenth Street, \$40; Fordham, \$15; Grace, \$51.75; Hudson, \$34.50; Katonah, \$23.76; Kensico, \$17; Lakeville, \$15; Madison Avenue, \$56; Jewels, 50 cents; Park Avenue, \$26; Y. W. Mission Circle, \$40; Peekskill: St. Paul, \$10; First Church, \$10; St. Andrews, \$37.50; St. Luke, \$11; St. James, \$42; Sing Sing, \$18; Twenty-fourth Street, \$1; Tarrytown, \$43; Union, \$14; Washington Square, \$108; Washington Heights, \$4; Yonkers, \$46.50; Mite-box, \$1.

Total, \$765.76.

POUGHKEEPSIE DISTRICT.—Fishkill, \$5.50; Poughkeepsie: Trinity, \$35; Washington Street, \$30; Poughquag, \$15.50; Tivoli, \$5.08; Conference gatherings, \$111.47.

Total, \$202.55.

*Mite-box*, \$25.02.

Total, \$25.02.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,083.06.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—New York: Eighteenth Street, \$5; Madison Avenue, \$27; Union, \$5; Sing Sing, \$60; Peekskill, \$5; St. Paul, \$5; Mrs. Alma Mathews, \$5; Miss M. Van Marter, \$5; Yonkers: Mrs. Cox, \$5; Mrs. Osborne, \$5; Mrs. W. A. Bell, \$2; Mrs. W. J. Goodale, \$3.

Total, \$132.

*Missionary Salary, Oriental Work.*—Sing Sing, \$20. Total, \$20.  
*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Washington Square, \$50. Total, \$50.

Total to Special General Fund, . . . . . \$202.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Simpson Home.*—Peekskill: St. Paul, \$10.

Total, \$10.  
*New Jersey Home.*—Fordham, \$2; St. James, \$5; Without special credit, \$40; Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25. Total, \$72.  
*Harwood Home.*—Fordham, \$2; Bequest, Miss Russell, \$50. Total, \$52.  
*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$50. Total, \$50.  
*Ritter Home.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25. Total, \$25.  
*Kent Home.*—New York: St. James, \$5; Park Avenue, \$6; Without special credit, \$40; Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25. Total, \$76.  
*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Sing Sing, \$60; By voucher, \$205.10; Various auxiliaries, by voucher, \$598.82. Total, \$863.92.  
*Jesse Lee Home.*—Yonkers, \$8. Total, \$8.  
*Utah Work.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25. Total, \$25.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$1,181.92.

**Special Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$100; Mrs. Oakley, \$1; Mrs. E. J. Bent, \$1. Total, \$102.

*Asheville.*—Peekskill: St. Paul, \$25. Total, \$25.

*Bancroft Rest Home.*—New York: Madison Avenue, \$50; Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25; Sing Sing, \$30; St. Andrew's, \$5; Park Avenue, \$5; Union, \$10; Yonkers, \$10; Calvary, \$10. Total, \$145.

*Frontier Work.*—For special cases: Bequest, Miss Russell, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Watts de Peyster.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Rust Hall.*—New York: Madison Avenue, through Mrs. Fisk, \$400; through Miss Van Marter, \$100. Total, \$500.

*Yakima Indian Work.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, \$25; without special credit, \$16. Total, \$41.

*Harwood Home.*—New York: Madison Avenue, \$14. Total, \$14.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . \$977.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 3,443.98.

### **New York East Conference.**

MRS. J. A. LANTRY, Treasurer, 614 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

**General Fund.**—NEW HAVEN DISTRICT.—Hartford: South Park, \$8.75; Middletown, \$55. Total, \$63.75.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Bridgeport: First Church, \$11; New York: First Church, \$37.08; Mt. Vernon, \$30; Trinity, \$21.66; Washington Park, \$82. Total, \$181.74.

NORTH BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, \$44; Circle, \$9.40; DeKalb, \$10; Flushing, \$5; Jamaica, \$40. Total, \$108.40.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$685.04.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, \$5; Hanson Place, \$5; Hartford: South Park, \$14; James Street, \$5; Sumner Avenue, \$5, Mrs. G. E. Strowbridge, \$10. Total, \$44.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Middletown, \$18. Total, \$18.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$62.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Stickney Home.*—Conference Board, \$25.

	Total, \$25.
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<i>Watts de Peyster Home.</i> —Middletown, voucher, \$60.	Total, \$60.
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Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . .	\$85.
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**Special Fund.**—*Deaconess Home, Brooklyn, N. Y.\**—Voucher, \$2,387.14.

Total, \$2,387.14.
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<i>Yakima Indian Mission</i> —Embury, \$4; Conference Board, \$25.	Total, \$25
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<i>Frontier Work.</i> —Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, \$5; Janes Street, \$5;	Total, \$25.
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Nostrand Avenue, \$10; Sumner Avenue, \$5.	Total, \$25.
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<i>Jesse Lee Home.</i> —Brooklyn: Eighteenth Street, \$2; New York Ave-	Total, \$46.
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nue, \$33; Sixth Avenue, \$1; Sumner Avenue, \$10.	Total, \$50.
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<i>Rest Home.</i> —Voucher, \$30; Middletown, voucher, \$20.	Total, \$25.
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<i>Rust Hall.</i> —Conference Board, \$25.	Total, \$25.
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Total Special Fund, . . . . .	\$2,562.14.
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Grand total, . . . . .	3,394.18.
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**North Carolina Conference.**

<b>General Fund.</b> —Greensboro, \$4.	Total, \$4.
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**North Indiana Conference.**

MRS. G. A. OSBORN, Treasurer, Marion Indiana.

<b>General Fund.</b> —FT. WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, \$75.85; Circle, \$3.75;	Total, \$208.77.
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Decatur, \$31.05; Ft. Wayne, \$30.20; Circle, \$2; Fremont, \$9.25; Garrett,	Total, \$204.55.
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GOSHEN DISTRICT.—Benton, \$8.75; Elkhart, \$71.25; Jewels, \$4.80;	Total, \$103.10.
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Circle, \$1.50; Goshen, \$39; Milford, \$10.75; Mishawaka, \$43.25; New Paris,	Total, \$178.30.
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\$14; Walcottville, \$11.25.	Total, \$126.65.
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KOKOMO DISTRICT.—Converse, \$17.25; Elwood, \$6.50; Goldsmith,	Total, \$27.
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\$6.50; Logansport: Broadway, \$21.25; Market Street, \$12.50; Wheatland	Total, \$157.55.
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Street, \$10.10; Peru, \$29.	Total, \$126.65.
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MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, \$25.85; Anderson, \$41.25; Hartford	Total, \$178.30.
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City, \$34.50; Muncie, \$30.25; Queen Esther, \$3; Parker, \$7.25; Red	Total, \$126.65.
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Key, \$15.25.	Total, \$27.
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RICHMOND DISTRICT.—Charlotteville, \$8.25; Fountain City, \$7; Hagers-	Total, \$4.30.
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town, \$9.25; Knightstown, \$23; Middletown, \$17.60; New Castle, \$27;	Total, \$986.02.
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Richmond: First Church, \$28.75; Grace, \$23.75; Queen Esther, \$6.70; Win-	Total, \$372.60.
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WARSAW DISTRICT.—Marion, \$41.10; Wabash, \$50.25; Circle, \$2.30;	Total, \$372.60.
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Warsaw, \$18; Jewels, \$15.	Total, \$372.60.
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<i>Leaflet Fund,</i> \$2.75.	Total, \$372.60.
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<i>Mile-boxes,</i> \$4.30.	Total, \$372.60.
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Total to General Fund, . . . . .	\$986.02.
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<b>Special General Fund.</b> — <i>Missionary Salary.</i> —Alexandria, \$5; Ander-	Total, \$372.60.
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son, \$32.50; Benton, \$3; Bluffton, \$14; Decatur, \$15; Elkhart, \$31.85;	Total, \$372.60.
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Ft. Wayne, \$5; Hartford, \$15; Hagerstown, \$5; Huntington, \$5; Knights-	Total, \$372.60.
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town, \$15; Logansport: Broadway, \$10; Market Street, \$5; Middletown,	Total, \$372.60.
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\$10; Muncie, \$25; Milford, \$4.68; Marion, \$29.42; Mishawaka, \$40; New	Total, \$372.60.
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Paris, \$5.40; Peru, \$10; Red Key, \$11.25; Richmond: First Church, \$15;	Total, \$372.60.
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Grace, \$15; Winchester, \$10.50; Warsaw, \$5; Wabash, \$25; Wheatland, \$5.	Total, \$372.60.
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\* See note, page 121.

*Emergency Fund.*—Anderson, \$18.59; Alexandria, \$22.75; Benton, \$5.70; Bluffton, \$3.34; Decatur, \$10; Elkhart, \$45; Ft. Wayne, \$6; Goshen, \$5; Hartford City, \$10; Huntington, \$5; Middletown, \$24; Muncie, \$9.05; Nappanee, \$5.30; Peru, \$4.25; Richmond: First Church, \$20; Grace, \$10; Wabash, \$10; Winchester, \$6.50; Wolcottville, \$1. Total, \$221.48.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$594.08.

*Beneficiary Fund.*—*Asheville.*—Huntington, \$6.48. Total, \$6.48.  
*Bennett.*—Elkhart, \$22.60; Mishawaka, \$8.86; Richmond: Grace, \$10. Total, \$41.46.

*Dulce.*—Mishawaka, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Mothers' Jewels.*—Warsaw, \$13. Total, \$13.

*Oriental Work.*—Peru, \$15; Richmond: Grace, \$7.50. Total, \$22.50.

*Ritter Home.*—Benton, \$2; Marion, \$25.25; Logansport: Wheatland Street, \$15; Huntington, \$20.85; Wabash, \$20. Total, \$83.10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$176.54.

*Special Fund.*—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home; Rust Hall.*—Logansport: Broad Street, \$10; Marion, \$10. Total, \$20.

*Asheville.*—Elkhart, \$1.50. Total, \$1.50.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . \$21.50.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,778.14.

### North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. A. M. EHRHARDT, Treasurer, Stanton, Nebraska.

*General Fund.*—GRAND ISLAND DISTRICT.—Central City, \$16.75; Circle, \$2; Clark's, \$10; St. Paul, \$11; Grand Island, \$2. Total, \$41.75.

NELIGH DISTRICT.—Battle Creek, \$1; Neligh, \$3; Oakdale, \$2; Plainview, \$16. Total, \$22.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.—Beemer, \$8; Mite-boxes, \$3.42; Decatur, \$1; Hooper, \$3.50; Lyons, \$12.50; Madison, \$12.50; Norfolk, \$17; Jewels, \$1.30; Pilger, \$9; Stanton, \$6; Wayne, \$24.80; Jewels, \$1. Total, \$100.02.

OMAHA DISTRICT.—Fremont, \$29.50; Omaha: Hansom Park, \$46.50; Seward Street, \$4.50; Trinity, \$19; South Omaha, \$21.05. Total, \$124.45.

*Conference Collections.* \$5.48; *Mite-boxes.* \$5.87. Total, \$11.35.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$299.57.

*Special General Fund.*—*Emergency.*—Central City, S. F. Kennedy, \$5; Fremont, \$19.52; Norfolk, \$5; Omaha: Hansom Park, \$2; O'Neil, \$2; Pilger, 50 cents; Plainview, \$4.60; Wayne, \$13. Total, \$51.62.

*Teacher's Fund; Immigrant Home, New York.*—Omaha: Hansom Park, \$5; South Omaha, \$1. Total, \$6.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Wayne, \$3.20. Total, \$3.20.

Total Teacher's Fund, . . . . . \$9.20.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . 60.82.

*Beneficiary Fund.*—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Central City, \$6; Norfolk, 70 cents; O'Neil, \$1; Osmond, \$3.75; Plainview, \$12.36. Total, \$23.81.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Fremont, \$5. Total, \$5.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$28.81.

*Special Fund.*—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Coleridge, Sunday-school, \$3.50; Decatur, Circle, \$2.50; voucher, \$3.05; Fremont, \$25; Junior League, \$1.10; South Omaha, \$1.03; Stanton, \$4.50; Wayne, Junior League, \$6.35; other sources, \$3.19. Total, \$50.22.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$50.22.

Grand total, . . . . . 439.42.

*North Ohio Conference.*

MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer, Wooster, Ohio.

**General Fund.**—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Berea, \$28.75; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, \$12.30; Franklin Avenue, \$30.50; Gordon Avenue, \$16.43; Jewels, \$3.30; Jennings Avenue, \$15.55; Elyria, \$87.57; Huntington, \$20; Band, \$1; Lorain, \$14; New London, \$25.60; Oberlin, Circle, \$10.14; Wellington, \$33.10; Band, \$5.50. Total, \$303.74.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT.—Ashland, \$27.75; Bucyrus, \$27.45; Caledonia, \$5; Crestline, \$13; Delaware: Asbury, \$34.35; Jewels, \$1.40; Grace, \$14; Circuit, \$2; Galion, \$23.25; Hayesville, \$8.14; Mansfield, \$106.75; Jewels, \$5.30; Plymouth, \$16.25; Pavonia, \$22.20; Shelby, \$17; Jewels, \$1. Total, \$324.84.

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.—Butler, \$5; Clark's: Bloomfield Church, \$11.50; Danville, \$8.80; Gambier: Hopewell Church, \$11.50; Galena, \$1; Levering, \$1; Mt. Vernon, \$30.25; Jewels, \$1; Roscoe, \$17.75; Union Chapel, \$15.75. Total, \$103.55.

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, \$7.20; Norwalk, \$26.75; Port Clinton, \$16; Sandusky, \$24.49; Tiffin, \$41. Total, \$115.47.

WOOSTER DISTRICT.—Albion, \$6.61; Apple Creek, \$5.25; Barberton, \$8.80; Canaan, \$8; Fredericksburg, \$13.50; Loudonville, \$15.25; Le Roy, \$7.50; Ruggles, \$14.25; Smithville, \$13.75; Wooster, \$40. Total, \$132.91.  
*Mite-box Fund*, \$2.82. Total, \$2.82.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$983.38.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Berea, \$6; Barberton, \$5.25; Crestline, \$5; Delaware: Asbury Church, \$22.73; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$4; Galion, \$2; Loudonville, \$6.55; Mansfield, \$5; New London, \$5; Norwalk, \$10; Roscoe, \$10; Sandusky, \$3.10; Shelby, \$5; Wooster, \$5. Total, \$94.63.

*Teacher's Salary, E. L. Rust Home.*—Ashland, \$2.50; Delaware: Asbury, \$5; Hayesville, \$5. Total, \$12.50.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Tiffin, \$25. Total, \$25.

*Utah.*—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$20; Gordon Avenue, \$2.65. Total, \$22.65.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$154.78.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Berea, \$5; Bellevue, \$10; Elyria, \$25; Fredericksburg, \$5; Mansfield, \$1; Pavonia, \$10; Plymouth, \$5; Roscoe, \$1.70; Shelby, \$9; Wooster, \$5. Total, \$76.70.

*Oriental Work.*—Roscoe, \$10. Total, \$10.

*E. L. Rust Home.*—Bellevue, \$3.28; Mansfield, \$7.50. Total, \$10.78.

*Ritter Home.*—Mansfield, \$38.48. Total, \$38.48.

*Stickney Home.*—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, \$25. Total, \$25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$160.96.

**Special Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Ashland, \$35; Berea, \$9.70; Bellevue, \$6.51; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, \$5; Mansfield, \$63.42; Mt. Vernon, \$1; Shelby, \$9.26; Mite-boxes, \$19.58; Oberlin, \$5; Wellington, \$5. Total, \$159.47.

*Bennett Home.*—Barberton, \$5; Mansfield, \$2.50; Pavonia, \$1.10; By voucher, \$5. Total, \$13.60.

*Deaconess Home, Cleveland.\**—By voucher, \$229. Total, \$232.

\* See note, page 121.



*Jesse Lee Home.*—Ashland, \$15; Bucyrus, \$4; Cleveland: Jennings Avenue, \$7.68; Clark's: Bloomfield, \$2; Delaware: Grace, \$2.40; Asbury, \$25; Fredericktown, \$2; Mt. Vernon, \$3; Union Chapel, \$7. Total, \$68.08.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$473.15.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,772.19.

### Northern New York Conference.

MRS. R. A. FITCH, Treasurer, Lowville, New York.

**General Fund.**—ADAMS DISTRICT.—Adams, \$52.47; Beaver Falls, \$6; Belleville, \$6.60; Copenhagen, \$12.75; Lowville, \$26; Turin, \$10; Watertown, \$41.25. Total, \$155.07.

HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Frankfort, \$22.50; Herkimer, \$53.45; Ilion, \$66.55; Mohawk, \$3.88; Circle, \$3.62. Total, \$150.

OSWEGO DISTRICT.—Altmar, \$3; Camden, \$24; Fulton: First Church, \$31.85; Jewels, \$15.70; Tea-money, \$11.90; State Street, \$15.75; Hannibal, \$13.50; Circle, 50 cents; Minetto, \$24.44; Mexico, \$49.05; Mt. Pleasant, \$1; Oswego: First Church, \$41.75; Band, \$3; Oswego Center, \$14.12; Trinity, \$29.75; Band, \$4.90; Pulaski, \$26; Band, \$2; Sandy Hook, \$11; Union Square, Band, 75 cents. Total, \$323.96.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT.—Malone, \$24; Morristown, \$4.41; Ogdensburg, \$40.25. Circle, \$4.75; Potsdam, \$17. Total, \$90.41.

UTICA DISTRICT.—Clinton, \$8; Knoxboro, \$10.50; Circle, \$6; Madison, \$24.75; New Hartford, \$17; Rome: First Church, \$73.75; Utica: First Church, \$44; South Street, \$36; Jewels, \$1. Total, \$221.

WATERTOWN DISTRICT.—Antwerp, \$4; Black River, \$26.25; Belleville, \$4; Carthage, \$14.30; Clayton, \$5.05; De Peyster, \$5.25; Circle, \$5.50; Depauville, \$12.50; Evans Mills, \$15.05; Gouverneur, \$31.05; Jewels, \$13.50; Harrisville, \$9.50; Heuvelton, \$4.83; Circle, \$2; Philadelphia, \$12.48; Theresa, \$10.30; Plessis, \$4; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$37; Band, \$3.25; Queen Esther, \$6.35; Jewels, \$4; Collection at Conference, \$5. Total, \$235.16.

*Mite-boxes, Leaflet, and Tea-money,* \$49.95. Total, \$49.95.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,225.55.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Adams, \$28.30; Black River, \$3; Camden, \$6; Carthage, \$4; Copenhagen, \$8.30; De Peyster, \$5; Fulton: First Church, \$5.17; Gouverneur, \$16.04; Hannibal, \$5; Ilion, \$20; Lowville, \$17.50; Morristown, \$25; Minetto, \$12; Mohawk, \$1; Ogdensburg, \$10; Orange: First Church, \$23.81; Trinity, \$5; Orange Center, \$8; Sandy Creek, \$5; Utica: First Church, \$10; South Street, \$5.20; Centenary, \$1; Watertown: Arsenal Avenue, \$31.05; State Street, \$40.66. Total, \$286.03.

Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$286.03.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Philadelphia, \$2. Total, \$2.

*Bennett Home.*—Oswego: Trinity, \$6. Total, \$6.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—De Peyster, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Black River, \$5. Total, \$5.

*New Jersey Home.*—Fulton: First Church, voucher, \$4.50. Total, \$4.50.

*King Home.*—Deansboro, \$40; Madison, \$2.50; Stittville, \$5; Utica: First Church, \$10; Voucher, \$10. Total, \$67.50.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Arsenal Street, Esther Circle, \$5.14. Total, \$5.14.

*Dulce, N. Mex.*—Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Ritter Home.*—Adams, \$10; Carthage, \$5; Clayton, \$50; Depauville, \$2; Ilion, \$40; Gouverneur, \$5; Mrs. Knapp's Class, \$10; Heuvelton, Circle, \$10; Philadelphia, \$2; Ogdensburg, \$25; Voucher, \$1; Watertown: Arsenal Street, \$10; Without special credit, \$5. Total, \$175.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Adams, \$5; Camden, \$5; Carthage, \$1; Depauville, \$1; Hannibal, \$2; Lowville, \$5; Harrisville, \$1; Minetto, \$5; Stittville, \$5; Watertown District, \$10. Total, \$40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$320.14.

**Special Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Oswego: Trinity, \$6. Total, \$6.  
*Bancroft Rest Home.*—Ilion, \$25; Oswego Center, \$3; New Hartford, \$10; Utica: First Church, \$15. Total, \$53.  
*Deaconess Work.*—Adams District, \$5; Black River, \$2. Total, \$7.  
*Frontier Work.*—Rome: First Church, \$12. Total, \$12.  
*Harwood Home.*—Oswego, 40 cents. Total, 40 cents.  
*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Evansville, \$1. Total, \$1.  
*Mary Haven Home.*—Adams, \$1. Total, \$1.  
*Ritter Home.*—Hammond: First Church, \$1. Total, \$1.  
*Rust Hall.*—Mohawk, \$1.89; Watertown, \$5; Williamstown, \$4. Total, \$10.89.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$92.29.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,924.01.

### Northwest Indiana Conference.

MRS. WILLIAM P. BOYD, Treasurer, South Bend, Indiana.

**General Fund.**—CRAWFORDSVILLE DISTRICT.—Indianapolis: St. Paul, \$26.40; Lebanon, \$3.20. Total, \$29.60.

GREENCASTLE DISTRICT.—Greencastle: College Avenue, \$28; Young Ladies, \$5.50; Terre Haute: Centenary, \$61; Jewels, \$2; Trinity, \$24.25. Total, \$120.75.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.—Attica, \$8.50; Frankfort, \$35.75; Lafayette, \$33. Total, \$77.25.

SOUTH BEND DISTRICT.—Monticello, \$19.50; South Bend: First Church, \$58.61; Mite-box, \$1.25; Grace Church, \$15. Total, \$94.36.

VALPARAISO DISTRICT.—Crown Point, \$8.20; Hobart, \$9.25; Valparaiso, \$41; Mite-boxes, \$3.06. Total, \$61.51.

*Young Ladies' Conference Society.* \$6. Total, \$6.  
*Mite-boxes,* \$10.31. Total, \$10.31.  
*Leaflet,* \$1.92. Total, \$1.92.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$401.70.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Frankfort, \$5; Greencastle: College Avenue, \$5.90; Lafayette: Trinity, \$25. Band, \$20; Monticello, \$6.03; South Bend: First Church, \$40.94; Grace, \$5; Terre Haute: Centenary, \$7.55; Trinity, \$5. Total, \$120.42.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$120.42.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Frankfort, \$62.50. Total, \$62.50.  
*E. L. Rust Home.*—Indianapolis: St. Paul, \$40. Total, \$40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$102.50.

Grand total, . . . . . 624.62.

### Northwest Iowa Conference.

MISS HATTIE S. GOODELL.

**General Fund.**—ALGONA DISTRICT.—Algona, \$32.50; Jewels, \$9.43; Alexander, \$7.75; Bancroft, \$9.25; Britt, \$26; Clear Lake, \$28.75; Circle, \$2.25; Corwith, \$14.85; Jewels, 60 cents; Eagle Grove, \$8.50; Garner, \$12.25; Goldfield, \$11.75. Total, \$163.88.

**FORT DODGE DISTRICT.**—Alta, \$17.25; Fort Dodge: First Church, \$44.50; West Fort Dodge, \$6.75; Hubbard, \$9; Jewels, 85 cents; Circle, 84 cents; Manson, \$19.80; Newell, \$11.75; Radcliffe, \$3.25; Rockwell City, \$16.60; Storm Lake, \$35.50; Circle, \$7.85; Twin Lakes, \$8.75; Webster City, \$19.50. Total, \$202.19.

**IDA GROVE DISTRICT.**—Arthur, \$13; Jewels, \$1.95; Charter Oak, \$10; Deloit, \$1; Early, \$2; Galva, \$17; Grant City, \$5; Ida Grove, \$8.75; Kingley, \$14.75; Jewels, \$4.40; Lake City, \$12.75; Lake View, \$11.50; Lohrville, \$9.50; Silver, \$16.75; Jewels, \$1.10; Vail, \$9.26. Jewels, \$1.20; Wall Lake, \$9.10; West Side, \$15.05. Total, \$164.06.

**SHELDON DISTRICT.**—Dickens, \$21.90; Circle, 25 cents; Jewels, \$1.70; Everly, \$12.25; Circle, 87 cents; Excelsior, \$1.25; Jewels, \$1; Hartley, \$20.50; Havelock, \$6.25; Inwood, \$21.75; Jewels, \$2.75; Circle, \$1; Lake Park, \$2.50; Laurens, \$11.50; Marathou, \$20.25; May City, \$1.83; Milford, \$11.70; Jewels, \$1.60; Peterson, \$1; Plover, \$8.75; Rock Rapids, \$15.75; Rolfe, \$15; Sanborn, 50 cents; Jewels, 75 cents; Sheldon, \$21.40; Jewels, 20 cents; Sibley, \$5.25; Sioux Rapids, \$12.50; Jewels, 90 cents; Spencer, \$41.75; Circle, \$6; Band, 40 cents; Jewels, 50 cents; Spirit Lake, \$2; —10 cents. Total, \$273.60.

**SIOUX CITY DISTRICT.**—Calumet, \$15.65; Jewels, \$1.40; Epworth, \$4.50; Hawarden, \$1; Le Mars, \$30; Marcus, \$1; Peiro, \$14.75; Salix, \$11; Juniors, \$2.50; Sioux City: First Church, \$20; Grace, \$27.75; Circle, \$5. Total, \$134.55.  
*Leaflet Fund*, \$8. Total, \$8.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Britt, \$5; Calumet, \$3; Corwith, \$1.50; Dickens, 60 cents; Excelsior, \$5; Galva, \$5; Garner, \$5; Hartley, \$1.75; Holstein, \$5; Kingsley, \$12; Lake City, \$10; Le Mars, \$6; Lohrville, \$5; Newell, \$5; Rockwell City, \$5; Rolfe, \$7; Salix, \$8.37; Sheldon, \$5; Sioux Rapids, \$2.50; Wall Lake, \$1.30; Webster City, \$10.25. Total, \$109.27.

*Teacher's Salary, Miss Gibson.*—Algona, \$4; Arthur, \$7; Britt, \$1.50; Calumet, \$2.50; Clear Lake, \$4.43; Corwith, \$4; Epworth, \$2; Fort Dodge, \$4; Garner, \$3; Hartley, \$3; Hubbard, Band, \$1.68; Ida Grove, \$5; Inwood, \$7.73; Lake City, \$1; Le Mars, \$6.50; Lohrville, \$2.65; Marathon, \$16.07; May City, \$3; Milford, \$4; Plover, \$1; Rolfe, \$3; Sheldon, \$3; Spencer, \$3.78; Silver, \$5; Twin Lakes, \$1; Webster City, \$3; West Fort Dodge, \$7.16; Mite-boxes, \$12.06; Collections and Conference gleanings, \$18.56; Various Auxiliaries, \$119.98. Total, \$260.60.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$369.87.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—Algona, \$5; Arthur, \$2; Williams, Epworth League, \$2; Bancroft, \$4; Britt, \$1; Calumet, \$7.50; Charter Oak, \$5; Clear Lake, \$3; Corwith, \$3; Dickens, \$3; Fort Dodge, \$5; Galva, \$8; Hartley, \$3; Hubbard, 50 cents; Inwood, \$5; Kingley, \$3; Laurens, \$3; Lohrville, \$1.68; Manson, \$3; Plover, \$3; Rockwell City, \$2.60; Rolfe, \$2.52; Salix, 65 cents; Sheldon, \$4; Silver, \$6; Sioux City, First Church, \$5; Spencer, \$8; Storm Lake, \$10; Rock Rapids, \$5; Vail, \$5; Wall Lake, 25 cents; Webster City, \$2.50. Total, \$122.20.

The above is to be distributed as follows: Alaska, \$39.65; King Home, \$20; Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, \$4; Mothers' Jewels Home, \$28.55; Stickney Home, \$30.

*Alaska.*—Newell, \$10.35.

Total, \$10.35.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Calumet, \$1; Charter Oak, \$3; Cherokee, Epworth League, \$2; Ellis, Epworth League, \$2; Goldfield, Epworth League, \$2; Fort Dodge: First Church, Epworth League, \$2; Le Mars, \$2; Livermore, Epworth League, \$2; Plover, Epworth League, \$2; Sheldon, \$3; Silver, \$10; Sioux Rapids, Epworth League, \$2; Sioux City

Grace Church, \$2; Spencer, \$2; Epworth League, \$2; Spirit Lake, Epworth League, \$2; Vail, Epworth League, \$2; Twin Lakes, Epworth League, \$2.  
Total, \$45.

*New Jersey Home.*—Everly, \$1; Wall Lake, Mission Band, \$5. Total, \$6.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Garner, \$8.60; Spencer, Circle, \$21.45.  
Total, \$30.05.

*Stickney Home.*—Laurens, \$3; Rolfe, \$5; Spirit Lake, \$2. Total, \$10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$223.60.

**Special Fund.**—*Deaconess Home, Des Moines.*—Britt, \$2.50; Clear Lake, \$3; Ida Grove, \$2; Inwood, \$11; Marathon, \$8; May City, \$2; Miteboxes, \$5.73; Rolfe, \$3; Spencer, \$2.20; Webster City, \$2; West Side, \$4.50; Vouchers, \$121.81. Total, \$167.74.

*Deaconess Home, Urbana.*—Urbana, \$6. Total, \$6.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Algona, \$5; Sioux City: Grace Church, Junior League, \$6. Total, \$11.

*Rust Hall.*—Fort Dodge: First Church, \$5; To name window, \$10; West Fort Dodge, \$1.78. Total, \$16.78.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$201.52.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,741.27.

### Northwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. PARMENUS SMITH, Treasurer, Colby, Kansas.

**General Fund.**—CONCORDIA DISTRICT.—Bellville: First Church, \$7; Mankato, \$7.25. Total, \$14.25.

SALINA DISTRICT.—Salina: First Church, \$22.50. Total, \$22.50.

*Conference gleanings*, \$37. Total, \$37.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$73.75.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Mankato, \$5; Portis, \$3; Salina: First Church, \$10.25. Total, \$18.25.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$18.25.

Grand total, . . . . . 92.00.

### Northwest Nebraska Conference.

**Special Fund.**—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Crawford, \$10. Total, \$10.

### Ohio Conference.

MISS FLORENCE STRICKLER, Treasurer, 736 Oak Street, Columbus, Ohio.

**General Fund.**—CHILlicothe DISTRICT.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, \$34; Mothers' Jewels, \$1.50; Frankfort, \$38.25; New Holland, \$15.50; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, \$17.75; Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, \$11.50; Washington C. H.: Grace, \$19.50. Total, \$137.90.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Columbus: Broad Street, \$79; Band, \$2.05; King Avenue, \$44.76; Mothers' Jewels, \$3.40; Neil Avenue, \$19.50; Band, \$3; Third Avenue, \$35.05; Young Ladies, \$21.40; Band, \$3.10; Town Street, \$44; Wesley Church, \$21. Total, \$276.26.

GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Gallipolis, \$56; Jackson, \$25; Racine, \$5. Total, \$86.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, \$33.25; Lancaster, \$17.25; Mothers' Jewels, 20 cents; Logan, \$36. Total, \$86.70.

**LONDON DISTRICT.**—Delaware: St. Paul, \$51.45; Harrisburg, \$7.25; Stratford, \$9.25; Worthington, \$18.75. Total, \$86.70.

**MARIETTA DISTRICT.**—Athens, \$14.50; Marietta: First Church, \$45; Nelsonville, \$16.75. Total, \$76.25.

**PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.**—Ironton, \$31.25; Circle, \$9.20; Mothers' Jewels, \$8.15; Gift, \$18.30; Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$41.40; Band, \$3.90; Circle, \$3.50; Mothers' Jewels, 40 cents. Total, \$116.10.

**ZANESVILLE DISTRICT.**—Malta, \$8; Newark: First Church, \$32.75; Zanesville, \$39; Mothers' Jewels, \$10. Total, \$89.75.

*Leaflet*, \$1.25. Total, \$1.25.

*Mite-boxes*, \$53.86. Total, \$53.86.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,010.77.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, \$30; Columbus: Broad Street, \$5; King Avenue, \$10.18; Neil Avenue, \$5; Third Avenue, \$5; Town Street, \$16.11; Delaware: St. Paul, \$56.78; Ironton, \$24.25; Circle, \$8.90; Lancaster, \$5; Logan, \$7; Malta, \$10.11; Marietta: First Church, \$5; McConnellsville, \$10; Nelsonville, 80 cents; Newark, \$10; New Holland, \$2; Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$5; Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, \$12.67; Stratford, \$3; Worthington, \$5; Zanesville, \$45. Total, \$281.80.

*Teacher's Salary, Bennett Home.*—Columbus: Broad Street, \$60; Neil Avenue, \$10; Third Avenue, \$30; Circleville, \$15; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, \$1; Stratford, \$1. Total, \$117.

*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, \$25.70; Columbus: Broad Street, \$40; Delaware: St. Paul, \$5; Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$10. Total, \$80.70.

Total Teacher's Salary, . . . . . \$197.70.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . 479.50.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Portsmouth: Bigelow, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Davis Home.*—Ironton, Band, \$6.

Total, \$6.

*Dulce.*—Ironton, voucher, \$2.

Total, \$2.

*Harwood Home.*—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, \$23.

Total, \$23.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Columbus: Wesley, Thank-offering, \$8; Mite-boxes, \$13.45. Total, \$21.45.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Ironton, \$6.40; Band, \$5; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, \$15. Total, \$26.40.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, \$50; Missionary Chips, \$3; Columbus: King Avenue, \$100; Junior League, \$1.20. Total, \$154.20.

*Ritter Home.*—Athens, \$8; Columbus: Third Avenue, \$21; Golden Rule Band, \$13; Young Ladies, \$20; Town Street, \$40. Total, \$102.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$345.05.

**Special Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Columbus: Town Street, \$10; Newark: First Church, \$40. Total, \$50.

*Mary Haven Home.*—Gallipolis, voucher, \$1; Portsmouth: Bigelow, voucher, \$1; Worthington, \$1. Total, \$3.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Ironton: Spencer Chapel, \$22.70; Marietta: First Church, \$6.80. Total, \$29.50.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$82.50.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,917.82.

**Oklahoma Conference.**

**General Fund.**—Conference Auxiliary, \$33; Conference gatherings, \$52.  
Total, \$85.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$85.

**Special General Fund.**—*Teacher's Salary, Rent and Tuition.*—  
Voucher, \$295.40. Total, \$295.40.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$295.40.

**Special Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—New Kirk, \$1. Total, \$1.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$1.00.

Grand total, . . . . . \$381.40.

**Oregon Conference.**

MRS. J. E. BENNETT, Treasurer, 475 Tenth Street, Portland, Oregon.

**General Fund.**—EUGENE DISTRICT.—Ashland, \$12.75. Total, \$12.75.

GRANT'S PASS DISTRICT.—Roseburg, \$1.50. Total, \$1.50.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Hubbard, \$1; Portland: Centenary, \$16.85;

Central, \$10.50; First Church, \$64; Grace, \$20.95; Trinity, \$6. Total, \$119.30.

SALEM DISTRICT.—Albany, \$2; Dayton, \$7.70; Independence, \$2; For-

est Grove, \$1; Oregon City, \$2.25; Salem, \$10.50; First Church, \$14.50;

Woodburn, \$19. Total, \$58.95.

*Mite-box Fund*, \$10.12. Total, \$10.12.

*Contingent Fund*, 85 cents. Total, 85 cents.

*Conference collections*, \$4.44. Total, \$4.44.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$207.91.

Of above amount, \$55.13 received by voucher for frontier work.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Woodburn Auxiliary,  
\$5.43; Mrs. Bishop Cranston, \$5; Through Mrs. Spangler, \$48.50.

Total, \$58.93.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$58.93.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Stickney Home.*—Portland: Centenary, \$7.25;

Central, 50 cents; First Church, \$54.93; Trinity, \$6.50; Mt. Tabor, \$6.50;

Salem: First Church, \$10; Mrs. Bishop Cranston, \$5. Total, \$90.68.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$90.68.

Grand total, . . . . . \$357.52.

**Philadelphia Conference.**

MRS. D. DAILEY, JR., Treasurer, 2120 N. Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**General Fund.**—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—East Allegheny,  
Circle, \$4.50; East Montgomery, \$5; Fifth Street, \$15; Frankford, \$116;

Kensington, \$40.20; Seventh Street, \$1.10; Somerton, \$14; Summerfield, \$35.

Total, \$230.80.

NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Germantown: First Church,

Circle, \$68.80; Grace, \$60; Jewels, \$2.70; Band, \$10; Park Avenue, \$54;

St. Stephen's, \$28; Tabernacle, \$48.30; Jewels, \$2.30; Tioga, \$24.85; Trin-

ity, \$35. Total, \$333.95.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Arch Street, \$57; Jewels, \$3; Eben-

ezer, \$15.55; Madison Street, \$37; Media Circle, \$7; Prospect, Band, \$12;

Trinity Circle, \$15; Wharton Street, \$38.85. Total, \$185.40.

**WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.**—Calvary, \$26.60; Circle, \$5.25; Christ Church, \$38.05; Centenary, \$17; Fortieth Street, \$5; Green Street, \$34; Landsdowne, \$29; Radnor, \$18; St. Luke's, \$6; Spring Garden, \$67.20; Queen Esther Circle, \$9.72; Band, 65 cents; Jewels, \$2.21; Thirteenth Street, \$32. Total, \$290.68.

Without special credits, \$4.18.

*Leaflet Fund*, 75 cents.

Total, \$4.18.

Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,045.76.

Of the above, by voucher, \$450.05.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Calasqua, \$5; Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$17; East Allegheny Avenue, Band, \$5; Germantown: First Church, King's Sons, \$5; Green Street, \$5; Madison Street, Chester, \$5; Park Avenue, \$5; King's Daughters, \$5; Phoenixville, \$5; Spring Garden, \$25; Tabernacle, \$10; Trinity, \$10. Total, \$102.

*Teacher's Salary, Haven Home, Philadelphia.*—Germantown: First Church, \$200; Green Street, \$2. Total, \$202.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$304.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Philadelphia: Spring Garden, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Haven Home.*—Germantown: First Church, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Ritter Home.*—Germantown: Grace Church, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Simpson Home.*—Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$10; Lady Huntingdon Circle, \$10; Grace, Simpson Band, \$40.

Total, \$60.

*Thayer Home.*—Germantown: First Church, \$40.

Total, \$40.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Christ Church, Circle, \$30.

Total, \$30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$220.

**Special Fund.**—*Allen Home.*—Philadelphia: Spring Garden, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Deaconess Home, Philadelphia*\*—Vouchers, \$4,185.62; Bequest, Miss Hausell, voucher, \$475; Interest on Goff endowment, \$56. Total, \$4,716.62.

*Haven Home.*—Germantown: First Church, voucher, \$77.01.

Total, \$77.01.

*Harwood Home.*—Spring Garden, \$2.

Total, \$2.

*Immigrant Home, Philadelphia.*—Voucher, \$158.

Total, \$158.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Chester: Madison Street, \$1.

Total, \$1.

*Rest Home.*—Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$10; Centenary, \$10; Christ Church, \$10; Fortieth Street, \$12.50; Frankford, \$10; Grace, \$5; Spring Garden, \$25; Voucher, \$34; St. Luke, \$5; Tabernacle, \$5; Wharton Street, \$5; Voucher, \$15. Total, \$146.50.

*Rust Hall.*—Philadelphia: Arch Street, \$10; Frankford, \$10; Nineteenth Street, \$10; Park Avenue, \$10. Total, \$40.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$5,151.13.

Grand total, . . . . . 6,720.89.

### **Pittsburg Conference.**

MRS. A. R. INGRAM, Treasurer, 12 Sampson Street, Allegheny, Pa.

**General Fund.**—**ALLEGHENY DISTRICT.**—Allegheny: Buena Vista Street, \$12.50; Calvary, \$10; Circle, \$14; Linden Avenue, \$21.35; North Avenue, \$43; Circle, \$18; Union, \$22.70; Beaver, \$8; Bellevue, \$19.25; But-

\* See note, page 121.

ler, \$37.50; New Brighton, Circle, \$3.90; Sewickley, \$29; Jewels, \$9.80; Sharpsburg, \$17.85; Parentum, \$16; Valencia, \$4.50; Band, \$4.50.

Total, \$291.85.

**BLAIRSVILLE DISTRICT.**—Apollo, \$33; Blairsville, \$27; Indiana, \$27; Kittanning, \$17.25; Latrobe, \$18; Marion Center, \$14; New Florence, \$3.50; Willing Workers, \$1.50.

Total, \$141.25.

**McKEESPORT DISTRICT.**—McKeesport: Coursin Street, \$12.75; First Church, \$39.50; Scottdale, \$46.56; Wakefield Chapel, \$12; West Newton, \$22.

Total, \$132.81.

**PITTSBURG DISTRICT.**—Pittsburg: Butler Street, \$56.50; Centenary, \$3.10; Christ Church, \$59.35; Crafton, \$23.35; Emory, \$32; Young Ladies, \$16.05; Lincoln Avenue, \$25.05; Oakland, \$46.05; Smithfield, \$50.25; Washington, \$23; West End, \$18.80; Wilkinsburg, \$41.50; Jewels, \$7; Verona, \$19.

Total, \$421.

**WASHINGTON DISTRICT.**—Washington: First Church, \$5; Franklin, Band, \$1.56; Jefferson Avenue, \$48.75; Jewels, \$2; Circle, \$1.75. Total, \$59.06.

*Leaflet Fund*, \$5.50.

Total, \$5.50.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,051.47.

Of the above half dues by voucher, \$157.04.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Allegheny: Union Church, \$5; Buena Vista Street, \$5; Bellevue, \$10; Bellevue Assembly, \$6.13; Butler, \$34; Apollo, \$6.25; Pittsburg: Christ Church, \$5; Lincoln Avenue, \$15; Union, \$20; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$5; Wellsburg, Circle, \$6; West Newton, \$35.15; Sewickley, \$25; Sharpsburg, \$7.20; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, \$20; E. V. Robinson, \$5; Miss Sutch, \$2. Total, \$211.73.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Alaska, \$10; Ritter Home, Pittsburg: Calvary Church, \$2. Total, \$12.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$223.73.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Haven Home.*—Allegheny: North Avenue, \$8; New Florence, \$5; Pittsburg: Christ Church, \$2; Lincoln Avenue, \$5.

Total, \$20.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$20.

Total, \$20.

*King Home.*—Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, \$20.

Total, \$20.

*Oriental Work.*—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Ritter Home.*—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$40; Mt. Morris Church, \$5; Wellsburg, Circle, \$25; Wellsburg, \$15; Mrs. A. B. Hanna, Pittsburg, \$100. Total, \$185.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$255.

**Special Fund.**—*Asheville, Allen Home.*—Pittsburg: Emory Church, \$10; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, \$10. Total, \$20.

*Deaconess Home, Pittsburg.\**—Cash, \$16.25; Voucher, \$417.

Total, \$433.25.

*Coke Region Work.*—Voucher, \$171.42.

Total, \$171.42.

*Deaconess, Local, Traveler's Aid.*—Voucher, \$56.76.

Total, \$56.76.

*Dulce.*—Apollo, Juniors, \$5; Pittsburg: Butler Street, \$5; Christ Church, \$3; Lincoln Avenue, \$5; Smithfield Street, \$2. Total, \$20.

*Harwood Home.*—Pittsburg: Emory, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Pittsburg: Emory, Young Ladies, \$50; Scottdale, \$25.

Total, \$75.

*Kent Home.*—Wilkinsburg, Boys' Band, \$5.

Total, \$5.

*Rust Hall.*—Miss Carrie J. Carnahan, \$250.

Total, \$250.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$1,041.43.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,571.63.

\* See note, page 121.



**Puget Sound Conference.**

MRS. W. S. HARRINGTON, Treasurer, Seattle, Wash.

**General Fund.**—OLYMPIA DISTRICT.—Aberdeen, \$2.75; Bay Center, \$3.90; Centralia, \$2.60; Chehalis, \$9.25; Fisher, \$5; Gardner, \$1; Gray's River, \$6.13; Montesano, \$6.13; Olympia, \$8.87; Oakville, 88 cents; Ostrander, \$1.25; Vancouver, \$9. Total, \$56.76.

SEATTLE DISTRICT.—Everett, \$10.20; New Whatcom: First Church, \$9.25; Trinity, \$8.25; Snohomish, \$2.25; Seattle: Trinity, \$3; First Church, 50 cents; Without special credit, \$17.53; Also received by voucher as half dues, \$15.41. Total, \$66.40.

TACOMA DISTRICT.—Tacoma: Epworth Circle, \$7.50; First Church, \$6.75; Oak Harbor, \$2.40. Total, \$16.65.

*For Frontier Work.*—Received by voucher, \$7.50. Total, \$7.50.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$147.30.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Gray's River, \$5; Gift, \$1. Total, \$6.

Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$6.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*To Stickney Home.*—Centralia, \$3.70; Chehalis, \$7; Everett, \$5; Fisher, \$4.10; Gardner, 60 cents; Gray's River, \$2.09; New Whatcom, \$6.70; Olympia, \$2.03; Oak Harbor, \$1.05; New Whatcom: Trinity, \$3; Snohomish, 20 cents; Seattle: First Church, \$3.80; Tacoma: First Church, \$2.63; Vancouver, \$3.45; Mite-boxes, \$9.03; Without special credit, \$11.17. Total, \$65.55.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Chehalis, \$1.60; New Whatcom, 50 cents; Trinity, 50 cents. Total, \$2.60.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Bay Center, \$1.80; Chehalis, \$2.30; Gray's River, \$1; New Whatcom, 50 cents; Olympia, 30 cents; Seattle: First Church, \$4.15. Total, \$10.05.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$78.22.

Grand total, . . . . . \$231.52.

**Rock River Conference.**

MRS. MARY S. DYCHE, Treasurer, Evanston, Illinois.

**General Fund.**—CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Chicago: Auburn Park, \$20.50; Hyde Park, \$27.60; Englewood, \$21; Oakland, \$109; Jewels, \$7.75; South Park, \$18.70. Total, \$204.55.

DIXON DISTRICT.—Dixon, \$16.30; Lighthouse, \$17.50; La Maille, \$2; Mendota, \$7.75; Princeton, \$34.25; Rock Falls, \$21.05; Sterling, \$7; Walnut, \$8.50. Total, \$114.35.

FREEPORT DISTRICT.—Embury, \$17; Freeport: First Church, \$21; Freeport District, \$4; Galena, \$18.75; Lanark, \$7; Polo, \$25.18; Taylor, \$3. Total, \$95.93.

JOLIET DISTRICT.—Aurora, \$15; Batavia, \$16; Joliet: Ottawa Street, \$26; Morris, \$25. Total, \$82.

NORTH CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Evanston: Emanuel, \$39.50; First Church, \$58.05; Chicago: Grace, \$22; Hemenway, \$33; Oak Park, \$15; Park Avenue, \$12.70; Ravenswood, \$25.11; Rogers Park, \$1.25; Western Avenue, \$15; Wheaton, \$23. Total, \$245.61.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Belvidere, \$19; Blaine, \$2; Dundee, \$14; Elgin: First Church, \$17.25; Epworth, \$3.50; Grace, \$24.29; Jewels, \$19.40; Ma-

rengo, \$16.25; Nunda, \$8; Rockford, \$17; Rockford Union, \$26; Woodstock, \$8; Jewels, \$6.50. Total, \$181.19.

*Mile-box Fund*, \$47.53. Total, \$47.53.

*Organizer*.—By voucher, \$9.62. Total, \$9.62.

*Deaconess Travel*.—By voucher, \$46.60. Total, \$46.60.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,028.18.

**Emergency Fund.**—Chicago: Oakland, \$10; Rogers Park, \$6.12; Elgin: First Church, \$25; Grace, \$19.35; Evanston: Hemenway, \$5; Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, \$5; Dixon, \$5; Freeport: First Church, \$12; Galena, \$5; Lena: Epworth, \$5; Polo, \$15; Princeton, \$1; Taylor, \$5; Wheaton, \$5. Total, \$123.47.

Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$123.47.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home*.—Dixon District, \$35. Total, \$35.  
*Thayer Home*.—By voucher, \$40. Total, \$40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$75.

**Special Fund.**—*E. E. Marcy Home*.—By voucher, \$2,355.98.

Total, \$2,355.98.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$2,355.98.

Grand total, . . . . . 3,582.63.

### St. Louis Conference.

MRS. WM. WESTON, Treasurer, 3207 East Ninth Street, Kansas City, Mo.

**General Fund.**—FARMINGTON DISTRICT.—Cross Roads, \$1; Lutesville, \$1. Total, \$2.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, \$57.80; Independence Avenue, \$13; Twenty-ninth Street, \$1; Odessa, \$1; Life membership, \$20. Total, \$92.80.

ROLLA DISTRICT.—Houston, \$1. Total, \$1.

ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.—St. Louis: St. Luke, \$1. Total, \$1.

SEDALIA DISTRICT.—Lamonte, \$2; Malta Bend, \$4; Tipton, \$2. Total, \$8.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Billings, \$2; Dadeville, \$2; Phillipsburg, \$1; Springfield: Benton Avenue, \$9.75; Jewels, \$1.70. Total, \$16.45.

Without special credit, \$18. Total, \$18.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$139.25.

Grand total, . . . . . 139.25.

### South Carolina Conference.

MRS. F. M. PRIESTLY, Treasurer, Greenville, S. C.

**General Fund.**—Charleston: Centenary, \$1; Conference collections, \$38.25. Total, \$39.25.

Grand total, . . . . . \$39.25.

### South Kansas Conference.

MRS. M. V. ROBBINS, Treasurer, Baldwin, Kansas.

**General Fund.**—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia, \$12.65. Total, \$12.65.

FT. SCOTT DISTRICT.—Ft. Scott, \$10. Total, \$10.

INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT.—Chetopa, \$13.15; Independence, \$4.65. Total, \$17.80.

OTTAWA DISTRICT.—Baldwin, \$13.50; Fontana, \$1; Garnett, \$9.25; Ottawa, \$15. Total, \$38.75.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$79.20.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Fontana, \$7; Emporia: First Church, \$4.42. Total, \$11.42.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$11.42.

Grand total, . . . . . 90.62.

### *Southern California Conference.*

MRS. CHAS. A. SMITH, Treasurer, 264 Concord Street, Pasadena, California.

**General Fund.**—FRESNO DISTRICT.—Bardsdale, \$6; Bakersfield, \$5; Fillmore, \$12.25; Fresno, \$13.35; Hueneme, \$16.75; Piro, \$12; Reedley, \$10.25; Jewels, \$3.83; Sanger, \$2.75; Jewels, 95 cents; Santa Barbara, \$55.30; Somis Circuit, \$1; West Saticoy, \$8; Tulare, \$5.25; Wakena, \$8. Total, \$160.68.

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—Alhambra, \$16; Compton, \$10; Florence, \$9.60; Long Beach, \$15.75; Los Angeles: Asbury, \$21.50; Boyle Heights, \$10.55; Circle, \$12.50; Central, \$24.05; Circle, \$4.35; Central Avenue, \$6.25; First Church, \$79; Circle, \$9.85; Jewels, \$1.50; Band, \$4.85; Haven, \$9.50; Simpson, \$17.75; Circle, \$1; Band, \$1; University, \$38.25; Circle, \$11.25; Band, \$5; Union, \$10.95; Band, \$3.15; Vincent, \$20.50; Circle, \$9.50; Pasadena: First Church, \$75.25; Circle, \$9.50; Bands, \$9.10; South Church, \$1; Pomona, \$49; Circle, \$6.30. Total, \$504.25.

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Arlington, \$15.50; Azusa, \$5.75; Artesia, \$10.75; Covina, \$16.50; East Riverside, \$9.25; Escondido, \$9.15; Fall Brook, \$2; Fullerton, \$8.50; Garden Grove, \$16.50; Circle, \$8.02; Glendora, \$20.50; Highlands, \$7.70; Lordsburg, \$12.50; Circle, \$5; Nestor and Otay, \$7.03; Ontario, \$24.65; Orange, \$16.25; Pialto, \$8; Persia, \$5.50; Redlands, \$29; Riverside, \$19.10; Circle, \$14.50; Rialto, \$8.25; San Diego: First Church, \$42.95; West Highlands, \$3.60; Santa Ana, \$26.50; Circle, \$8.50; Jewels, \$1.20; Westminster, \$7.15; Circle, \$1.80; Whittier, \$2.70. Total, \$374.30.

Total to General Fund, . . . . . \$1,039.23.

Of above amount, \$191.09 as half dues received by voucher.

**Special General Fund.—Missionary's Salary, Jesse Lee Home.**—Mrs. D. M. Welch, Los Angeles: University Church, \$50.75. Total, \$50.75.

**Emergency Fund.**—Los Angeles: First Church, \$25; Ontario, \$13. Total, \$38.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$88.75.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—Asheville.—Santa Ana, \$20. Total, \$20.  
New Jersey Home.—Los Angeles: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5.

**Oriental Work.**—By voucher, \$181. Total, \$181.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$206.

**Special Fund.**—Rest Home.—Los Angeles: First Church, \$5. Total, \$5.  
Oriental Work.—By voucher, \$66. Total, \$66.

Los Angeles Deaconess Home.\*—By voucher, \$871.56. Total, \$871.56.

Frontier Work.—By voucher, \$1,858. Total, \$1,858.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$2,800.56.

Grand total, . . . . . 4,133.98.

\* See note, page 121.

**Southwest Kansas Conference.**

MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 North Lawrence Avenue, Wichita, Kansas.

**General Fund.**—DODGE CITY DISTRICT.—Dodge City, \$6. Total, \$6.  
 MCPHERSON DISTRICT.—Marion, \$8.75; Pleasant View, \$8. Total, \$16.75.  
 NEWTON DISTRICT.—Hutchinson: First Church, \$28; Mitchell, \$12.50;  
 Newton: First Church, \$37.50; Nickerson, \$4.75; Sedgwick, \$8.50.  
 Total, \$91.25.  
 WICHITA DISTRICT.—Coats, \$32.75; Jamesburg, \$18; Seltzer, \$10.50;  
 Wichita: Dodge Avenue, \$12.95; First Church, \$65. Total, \$139.20.  
 WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Arkansas City, \$15.20; Dalton, Christian Endeavor, \$3.50; Burden, \$6; Wellington, \$25; Latham, \$1.75; Winfield, \$13.25. Total, \$64.70.  
 Mite-boxes, \$2.83. Total, \$2.83.  
 Organizer's Fund.—By voucher, \$53.41. Total, \$53.41.  
 Total General Fund, . . . . . \$374.14.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Arkansas City, \$15; Marion, \$6; Mitchell, \$8; Newton: First Church, \$35; Pleasant View, \$10.25; Winfield: First Church, \$5. Total, \$79.25.  
*Missionary's Salary.*—Arkansas City, \$20; Burden, \$5; Coats, \$5; Goddard, \$3; Marion, \$5; Mitchell, \$10; Newton: First Church, \$20; Hutchinson: First Church, \$24.30; Jamesburg, \$5; Nickerson, \$2; Sedgwick, \$5; Seltzer, \$8; Wichita: First Church, \$44.20; Dodge Avenue, \$10; Winfield: First Church, \$20; Wellington, \$10. Total, \$196.50.  
 Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$275.75.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Dodge City, \$5. Total, \$5.  
*Jesse Lee Home.*—Dodge City, \$10.69; Conference pledge, \$10. Total, \$20.69.  
 Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$25.69.

**Special Fund.**—*Frontier Work.*—By voucher, \$86.14. Total, \$86.14.  
 Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$86.14.  
 Grand total, . . . . . 761.72.

**Troy Conference.**

MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer, 586 Fourth Avenue, Lansingburg, New York.

**General Fund.**—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: Ash Grove, \$18; First Church, \$37; Grace Church, \$15; St. Luke's, \$15; Sharon Springs, \$1; Trinity, \$42; East Schodack, \$9; Rensselaerville, \$50; Schenectady, \$72. Total, \$259.  
 BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Bennington, \$19; Benson, \$11; Bristol, \$5; Burlington, \$69; Cambridge, \$1; Granville, \$24; Hinesburg, \$8; Middleburg, \$12; Pittsford, \$5; Circle, \$4; Poultney, \$16; Rutland, \$26.25; Shelburne, \$10. Total, \$210.25.  
 PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Fort Edward, \$13; Glens Falls, \$35; Keesville, \$6; Lyon, \$1; Moriah, \$4; Plattsburg, \$58; Saranac Lake, \$1; South Glens Falls, \$14. Total, \$132.  
 SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Ballston, \$11.25; Cohoes: Remsen Street, \$19.75; Galway, \$10; Gloversville: First Church, \$109; Fremont Street, \$102; North Main Street, \$27.50; Greenwich, \$46; Johnstown, Circle, \$30.50;

Jonesville, \$22; Mechanicsville, \$40; Round Lake, \$27; Saratoga: First Church, \$28; Washington Street, Circle, \$33; Stillwater, \$9; Willow Glen, \$1.25. Total, \$516.25.

**TROY DISTRICT.**—Dalton, \$11.50; Hoosick Falls, \$35.37; Lansingburg: First Church, \$44; Hedding Church, \$23; North Adams, \$28; Pittsfield, \$52; Circle, \$3; Troy: State Street, \$41; Fifth Avenue, \$37; Pawling Avenue, \$5; Trinity, \$10; Valley Falls, \$1.25; Band, \$4.25; Watervliet: First Avenue, \$11; Third Avenue, \$10. Total, \$316.37.

*Gift*, \$60.40.

*Leaflet*, 86 cents.

Total, \$60.40.

Total, 86 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$1,495.13.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Albany: Ash Grove, \$3; St. Luke's, \$10; Burlington, \$11; Cambridge, \$5; Gloversville: North Main Street, \$5; First Church, \$1; Greenbush, \$5; Green Island, \$5; Greenwich, \$10; Lansingburg: First Church, \$50; Hedding Church, \$5; Mechanicsville, \$10; Middleburg, \$5; Newtonville, \$5; North Adams, \$5; Pittsford, \$5; Plattsburg, \$5.15; Poultney, \$5; Newtonville, \$5; Schenectady, \$20; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$20; State Street, \$20; Watervliet: Third Avenue, \$5; Westport, \$5; Mrs. Martha C. Guss, \$5. Total, \$225.15.

*Teacher's Salary, Immigrant Home, New York*, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Jewett, N. M.*—Albany: Grace Church, \$5; Trinity, \$10; Place not named, \$30.50; Round Lake, \$8; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$10. Total, \$63.50.

*Las Cruces, N. M.*—Round Lake, \$8. Total, \$8.

*Utah.*—Mrs. Griffin, of Greenbush, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$316.65.

**Beneficiary Fund.—Dulce.**—Rensselaer, \$40. Total, \$40.

*Haven Home.*—Johnstown, \$10; Valley Falls, \$30. Total, \$40.

*Kent Home.*—Albany: Ash Grove, \$5; Conference collection, \$37.60; Gloversville, \$20; Poultney, \$2.40; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$15. Total, \$80.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—East Schodack, 50 cents; Bennington, \$2; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, \$5; Watervliet: Third Avenue, \$5. Total, \$12.50.

*New Jersey Home.*—Gloversville: Fremont Street, \$32.50; Johnstown, \$20; Rutland, for Mattie Smith, \$5. Total, \$57.50.

*Oriental Work.*—Glens Falls, \$10; Junior League, \$5; Greenbush, Mrs. Griffin, \$30; Plattsburg, \$5; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$5; State Street, \$5; Conference collection, \$20. Total, \$80.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Lansingburg: First Church, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Ritter Home.*—Bennington, \$5; Burlington, \$15; Rutland, \$5; Place not named, \$7. Total, \$32.

*Simpson Home.*—Ticonderoga, voucher, \$14. Total, \$14.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Conference collection, \$25; Round Lake, \$5; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$10; State Street, \$5; Watervliet: Third Avenue, \$5. Total, \$50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$416.

**Special Fund.—Allen Home, Asheville.**—Albany: First Church, \$10; Conference collection, \$15. Total, \$25.

*Dulce.*—Albany: First Church, \$30; Ash Grove, \$5; Bennington, \$5; Brandon, \$5; East Schodack, \$2; Gloversville: First Church, \$10; Green Island, \$5; Greenwich, \$7.44; Hoosick Falls, \$2.35; Jonesville, Junior Helping Hand, \$3; Willing Workers, \$4; Lansingburg: First Church, \$5; Mrs. O. J. Squire, \$5; Mrs. William Griffin, \$50; North Adams, \$3.71;

Plattsburg, \$15; Poultney, \$10.60; Rensselaer, \$5; Rutland, \$1.55; Schuyler-ville, \$2; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$45; Voucher, \$2; State Street, \$10; Valley Falls, \$5; Watervliet: First Avenue, \$5; Third Avenue, \$23. Total, \$266.65.

*Local Deaconess Work.*—Troy: Fifth Avenue, vouchers, \$48. Total, \$48.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Conference collection, \$22; Glens Falls, \$50; Schenectady, \$18; Troy: Fifth Avenue, \$10. Total, \$100.

*Mary Haven Home.*—Conference, voucher, \$5. Total, \$5.

*Rest Home.*—Benson, \$5; Burlington, \$10; Conference collections, \$89.37; Gloversville: Fremont Street, \$5; Middleburg, \$5; Pittsford, \$2; Poultney, \$12; Schenectady, \$5. Total, \$133.37.

Total to Special Fund, . . . . . \$578.02.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,805.80.

### *Upper Iowa Conference.\**

MRS. R. B. VAN NESS, Treasurer, Marion, Iowa.

**General Fund.**—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Cedar Falls, \$45.50; Clarks-ville, \$13; Greene, \$9.75; Janesville, \$5.50; La Porte City, \$22; Nashua, \$3; Raymond, \$11; Rockford, \$3.50; Shell Rock, \$7.25; Sumner, \$4.50; Water-loo: First Church, \$20.75; Grace, \$40; Waverly, \$15.50. Total, \$201.25.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Anamosa, \$34.50; Cedar Rapids, \$31.80; Iowa City, \$25.15; Juniors, 90 cents; Jewels, 50 cents; Marion, \$14.75; Me-CHANICSVILLE, \$10.50; Mt. Vernon, \$36.25; Prairie Chapel, \$10.25; Springville, \$8.25; Simpson Chapel, \$8.25; Tipton, \$33.50; Traer, \$5; Vinton, \$13.95. Total, \$233.55.

DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Bennett, \$2; Center Junction, \$8.17; Clinton, \$27; Davenport: First Church, \$27; Circle, \$5.85; Fourteenth Street, \$9; De Witt, \$6; Elwood, \$2.75; Maquoketa, \$13; McCausland, \$4.50; Vernon Prairie, \$5; Wyoming, \$14.25. Total, \$124.52.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Charles City, \$27.75; Jewels, 50 cents.

Total, \$28.25.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Dubuque, \$8.50; Delhi, \$3; Edgewood, \$5.75; Epworth, \$20; Farley, \$4.25; Fayette, \$21; Greeley, \$7.20; Hopkinton, \$9.75; Independence, \$9.75; John's Creek, \$8.25; Lamont, \$15.25; Man-chester, \$21; Prairie Center, \$5; Strawberry Point, \$2.75; Winthrop, \$12.75. Total, \$154.20.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plaine, \$13.70; Blainstown, \$8; Hampton, \$29.25; Haven, \$11.25; Mason City, \$26.25; Morrison, \$1.50; Sheffield, \$11; State Center, \$2. Total, \$102.95.

*Leaflet*, 75 cents.

Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$845.47.

**Special General Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Clinton, \$10; Farley, \$6.60; Fayette, \$7.10; Greene, \$5; Hampton, \$10; Hopkinton, \$4.45; Independence, \$4; Marion, 75 cents; Morrison, \$2; Nashua, \$1 50; Prairie Chapel, \$5.35; Sheffield, \$6.50; Tipton, \$1.04. Total, \$64.29.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Iowa City, \$31.10; Sumner, \$12.50. Total, \$43.60.

*Emergency Fund.*—Blainstown, \$10; Cedar Rapids, \$5; Cedar Falls, \$2; Clinton, \$15; Davenport: First Church, \$5; Fourteenth Street, \$5; Manchester, \$27.35; Raymond, \$5; Rockford, \$5; Tipton, \$10; Waverley, \$5; Conference collections, \$32.75. Total, \$127.10.

*Missionary's Salary.*—Belle Plaine, \$2.80; Clarksville, \$4.70; Daven-

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port: Fourteenth Street, \$5; Dubuque, \$16; Hampton, \$6.10; Hopkinton, \$1.85; Iowa City, \$20; Independence, \$3; La Porte City, \$5; Marion, \$1.05; Mason City, \$5.35; Mt. Vernon, \$10; Raymond, \$6.75; Rockford, \$10; Sheffield, \$4.50; Tipton, 84 cents; Waterloo: First Church, \$21; Waverley, \$10. Total, \$133.94.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$368.93.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Emerson Home.*—Anamosa, \$13.65, voucher.

Total, \$13.65.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Davenport: First Church, \$5; Hampton, \$2.50.

Total, \$7.50.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Anamosa, \$2.35; District Camp-meeting, \$8; Dubuque, \$8.50; Hampton, \$10; Mason City, \$9; Rockford, \$3.50; Sheffield, \$5. Total, \$46.35.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Sumner, \$12.50.

Total, \$12.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$80.

**Special Fund.**—*Des Moines Deaconess Home.*—Voucher, \$213.11.

Total, \$213.11.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Hopkinton, \$2.20. Total, \$2.20.

*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lamont, \$3.80; Sumner, \$12.50. Total, \$16.30.

*Rust Hall.*—Cedar Falls, \$4.70; Iowa Falls, \$2; Clinton: First Church, \$4.35; Tipton, \$3.22; Manchester, Mrs. J. H. Stevens, \$35; Mt. Vernon, \$10; Watertown; First Church, \$6.50; West Side, \$4.50. Total, \$70.27.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$301.88.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,596.28.

### Utah Mission.

MRS. J. T. PIERCE, Treasurer, 454 Twenty-fourth Street, Ogden, Utah.

**General Fund.**—OGDEN DISTRICT.—Ogden, \$3.25; Logan, \$5.

Total, \$8.25.

SALT LAKE DISTRICT.—Salt Lake: First Church, \$43.50; Second Church, \$8.75; Iliff, \$8; Payson, \$6; Conference gatherings, \$27.77.

Total, \$94.02.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$102.27.

**Emergency Fund.**—Salt Lake: First Church, \$13; Mrs. M. E. Spence, \$5; Subscription, \$3.

Total, \$21.

Total Emergency Fund, . . . . . \$21.

**Special Fund.**—Salt Lake City: Children's mite-boxes, \$8.75; Herman's over-draft, \$22.82.

Total, \$31.57.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$31.57.

Grand total, . . . . . 154.84.

### Vermont Conference.

MRS. F. W. LEWIS, Treasurer, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

**General Fund.**—MONTPELIER DISTRICT.—Ascutneyville, \$14.75; Bellows Falls, \$8; Bradford, \$15; Brownsville, \$5; Hartland, \$8.80; Montpelier, \$17.25; Northfield, \$26.50; Randolph, \$3; Springfield, \$15; Windsor, \$6.40.

Total, \$119.70.

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT.—Enosburg Falls, \$17; Fairfax, \$7.50; North Fairfax, \$8.25; Richford, \$16; St. Albans, \$26; Jewels, 10 cents; Waitsfield, \$2; Jewels, 20 cents.

Total, \$77.05.

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT.—Barre, \$23; Jewels, 40 cents; Cabot, \$17.10; Groton, \$12.25; Hardwick, \$10; Jewels, 20 cents; Irasburg, \$2; Circle, \$1.50; Plainfield, \$7.60; St. Johnsbury, \$24; St. Johnsbury Center, \$6; West Burke, \$4; Williamstown, \$16.50; Conference Treasurer, \$4.64.

Total, \$129.19.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$325.94.

**Special General Fund.**—*Salary, Boylan Home*, \$5.50. Total, \$5.50.

*Emergency.*—Ascutneyville, \$5; Bellows Falls, \$5; Northfield, \$40; Irasburg, \$2.50; St. Johnsbury, \$20; Williamstown, \$12.70; Waitsville, \$1.

Total, \$86.20.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$91.70.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Ascutneyville, \$2.50; Barre, 66 cents; Bellows Falls, \$1.38; Brownsville, \$3; Cabot, \$2; Fairfax, \$2.41; Hardwick, \$22.92; Northfield, \$1; North Fairfax, \$2.60; Plainfield, \$2.82; White River Junction, \$2; Williamstown, \$1; Mite-boxes, \$4.71; South Londonderry, \$1.

Total, \$50.

*Stickney Home.*—Ascutneyville, \$5; Barton, \$7; Bellows Falls, \$5; Hardwick, \$18.13; St. Johnsbury, \$5; St. Johnsbury Center, 80 cents.

Total, \$40.93.

*Oriental Work.*—Conference gatherings, \$10.

Total, \$10.

Bellows Falls, 90 cents; Northfield, \$3.80; St. Albans, \$10.25; Hardwick, \$5.

Total, \$16.20.

Of above amount, to Stickney Home, \$7.20; to Jesse Lee Home, \$9.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$117.13.

**Special Fund.**—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Without special credit, \$14.66.

Total, \$14.66.

*Asheville.*—Conference gatherings, \$10.

Total, \$10.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Ascutneyville, 75 cents; Bellows Falls, \$6; Cabot, \$2.85; Hardwick, \$6.59; Irasburg, 50 cents; North Fairfax, \$2; Waterbury, \$1; Wilmington, \$3; Interest on Hargin Bequest, \$7.

Total, \$29.69.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$54.35.

Grand total, . . . . . \$89.12.

### Virginia Conference.

IDA N. BALL, Treasurer, Falls Church, Virginia.

**General Fund.**—ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.—Alexandria: Trinity, \$3.25; Herndon, \$4; Falls Church, \$11.

Total, \$18.25.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$18.25.

Grand total, . . . . . 18.25.

### West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. G. F. COOK, Treasurer, Kearney, Nebraska.

**General Fund.**—KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Conference collection, \$3; Kearney: First Church, \$18.25; Loup City, \$4.05; Loup and Kearney, \$19.95.

Total, \$45.25.

NORTH PLATTE DISTRICT.—Callaway, \$3; North Platte, \$7. Total, \$10.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$55.25.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Kearney, \$2.30. Total, \$2.30.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$2.30.

**Special Fund.**—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lexington, \$2; Through Burwell Spurlock, \$48.

Total, \$50.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$50.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 107.55.



*West Texas Conference.*

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS, Treasurer, 731 Dawson Street, San Antonio, Texas.

**General Fund.**—AUSTIN DISTRICT.—Austin: Wesley Chapel, 75 cents; Belton, \$2; Burnett, \$2; Davilla, 25 cents; Kell Branch, \$1; Liberty Hill, 50 cents; Luling, 50 cents; Temple, \$1; Band, 65 cents. Total, \$8.65.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleyton, \$2; Jewels, 50 cents; Columbus, \$2; Edna, 15 cents; Flatonia, \$2; Jewels, \$1; Hallettsville, \$3; Morales, 50 cents; Navidad, 55 cents; Oakland, 50 cents; Schulenburg, \$1; Victoria, 65 cents; Jewels, 60 cents; Waelder, \$1; Weimar, \$1.25. Total, \$16.70.

DALLAS DISTRICT.—Antioch, 75 cents; Blooming Grove, \$1.20; Dallas, 60 cents; Jewels, \$1; Denison, \$1.85; Hubbard City, \$1; Lancaster, 50 cents; Milford, 50 cents; Pilot Point, 50 cents; Sherman, \$2.05. Total, \$9.95.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Belmont, 50 cents; Cuero, \$1.50; Elm Slough, Jewels, 25 cents; Floresville, 20 cents; Goliad, \$3; Gonzales, \$1; Minion Valley, \$1; San Antonio, \$1.35. Total, \$8.80.

WACO DISTRICT.—Calvert, \$1; Mexico, \$1; Mt. Zion, \$1. Total, \$3.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$47.10.

**Special Fund.**—*West Texas Conference Training-school.*—Alleyton, \$1; Belton, \$6; Burnett, \$1; Columbus, \$1; Cuero, \$1; Dallas, \$5; Goliad, \$1; Mexico, \$1; Oakland, \$5; San Antonio, \$5; Columbus District, \$1; Dallas District, \$1; San Antonio District, \$1; Without special credits, \$11.10. Total, \$41.10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$41.10.

Grand total, . . . . . 88.20.

*West Virginia Conference.*

MISS HATTIE LIST, Treasurer, 827 Main Street, Wheeling, W. Va.

**General Fund.**—Wheeling, through Mrs. A. J. Clark, \$11. Total, \$11.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$11.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Collection taken at Mountain Lake Park, \$25. Total, \$25.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$25.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*To Kent Home.*—Wheeling: Thompson Church, \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$10.

Grand total, . . . . . 46.

*West Wisconsin Conference.*

MRS. H. W. TROY, Treasurer, Platteville, Wisconsin.

**General Fund.**—ASHLAND DISTRICT.—Barron, \$23; Rice Lake, \$7.45. Total, \$30.45.

EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Augusta, \$14; Altoona, \$1; Bay City, \$8.50; Eleoa, \$4.50; Eau Claire: Lake Street, \$26; Fairfield, \$6.25; Hudson, \$14.05; Hammond, \$1.45; Merrillon, \$2.45; New Richmond, \$1.20; Whitehall, Circle, 70 cents; Mite-box, 76 cents. Total, \$80.86.

MADISON DISTRICT.—Madison, \$28.25; Mondovi, \$7.75; Spring Green, \$1; Verona, 25 cents. Total, \$37.25.

LA CROSSE DISTRICT.—Baraboo, \$21. Total, \$21.

PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Fennimore, \$9.50; Platteville, \$41. Total, \$50.50.

*Mite-box*, \$3.79. Total, \$3.79.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$223.85.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency.**—Baraboo, \$16.50; Colfax, \$5; Eau Claire: Lake Street, \$11.20; Hudson, \$5.70; Platteville, \$10.

Total, \$48.40.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$48.40.

**Special Fund.—Rust Hall.**—Platteville, \$10; Conference gathering, \$40.67.

Total, \$50.67.

*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Baraboo, \$17.

Total, \$17.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$67.67.

Grand total, . . . . . \$339.92.

### Wilmington Conference.

MRS. E. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer, 505 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

**General Fund.**—DOVER DISTRICT.—Dover, \$10. Total, \$10.

EASTON DISTRICT.—Chestertown, \$18.50; Middletown, \$29.50.

Total, \$48.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.—Salisbury, \$25.

Total, \$25.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Elkston, \$26.75; Newark, \$18.08; Band, \$1.43; Circle, \$6; Jewels, 80 cents; New Castle, \$38.08; Jewels, \$1.10; Band, \$5; Rising Sun, Circle, \$10; Band, \$3.48; Scott, \$58.50; Band, \$3.10; Jewels, \$4.70; Circle, \$8; Silverbrook, \$9.60; Union, \$48.35; Jewels, \$2.20; Band, 67 cents; Wilmington: Asbury, \$35; Epworth, \$24; Jewels, \$2.50; Grace, \$92; Band, \$7.35; Circle, \$20.50; Jewels, \$7.65; Mt. Salem, \$11.50; Jewels, 80 cents; St. Paul, \$57.25; Jewels, \$4.90; Conference gleanings, \$31.

Total, \$540.29.

*Leaflets*, \$1.75.

Total, \$1.75.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$625.04.

**Special General Fund.—Emergency Fund.**—New Castle, \$3; Salisbury, \$15; Union, \$15.91; Wilmington: Asbury, \$6.50; John Wise Bequest, \$50; Epworth, 10 cents; Grace, \$18.47; St. Paul, \$14.42; Band, \$5; Scott, \$5; Band, \$3; Mite-boxes, \$57.18; Wilmington District, \$5. Total, \$198.58.

*To Navajos.*—Middletown, \$5; Salisbury, \$5; Union, \$5. Total, \$15.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$213.58.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Elkston, \$13.75. Total, \$13.75.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Wilmington: Grace Church, \$50; Without special credits, \$10. Total, \$60.

*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—From mite-boxes, \$30; New Castle, \$1; Silverwood, \$1; Wilmington: Asbury, \$1; Epworth, \$1; Grace, \$5; Wilmington District, \$3. Total, \$42.

*Stickney Home.*—Wilmington: Grace, \$40. Total, \$40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$155.75.

**Special Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Middletown, \$5; Salisbury, \$10; Wilmington: Asbury, from Wise Bequest, \$5; Union, \$5. Total, \$25.

*Italian Work, New Orleans.*—From Wise Bequest, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Navajos.*—From Wise Bequest, \$10. Total, \$10.

*Rest Home.*—New Castle, \$5; Wilmington: Grace, \$145; Band, \$5; Union, \$5. Total, \$160.

*Rust Hall.*—New Castle, \$5; Wilmington: St. Paul, \$5. Total, \$10.

*Jesse Lee Home.*—Wilmington: Asbury, \$1; Grace, \$5; Wilmington District, \$2. Total, \$8.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$223.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,217.37.

**Wisconsin Conference.**

MRS. G. F. REYNOLDS, Treasurer, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

**General Fund.**—APPLETON DISTRICT.—Appleton, \$39.15. Total, \$39.15.  
FOND DU LAC DISTRICT.—Fond du Lac: Cotton Street, \$3.50; Life-member, \$5; Division Street, \$3; Sheboygan, \$12.43; Waupun, \$19.

Total, \$42.93.

MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.—Milwaukee: Trinity, \$10; Washington Avenue, \$15; Mothers' Jewels, \$2.87.

Total, \$27.87.

OSHKOSH DISTRICT.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, \$15; First Church, \$16.25; Omro, \$1; Junior League, \$1.55.

Total, \$33.80.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$143.75.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency Fund.*—Beaver Dam, \$5; Milwaukee: Washington Avenue, \$9; Oshkosh, \$11; Waupun, \$10. Total, \$35.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$35.00.

Grand total, . . . . . \$178.75.

**Wyoming Conference.**

MRS. FRED. H. HASKINS, Treasurer, 121 Murray Street, Binghamton, N. Y.

**General Fund.**—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Centenary, \$85; Jewels, \$27.04; Chenango Street, \$19.75; High Street, \$23.50; Tabernacle, \$71; Band, \$1.25; Jewels, \$10.70; Susquehanna, \$13.

Total, \$251.24.

CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Norwich, \$23.28; Oxford, \$6.

Total, \$29.28.

HONESDALE DISTRICT.—Bethany, \$6.70; Carbondale, \$42; Dunmore, \$14.75; Band, \$2; Hawley, \$19.25; Jermyn, \$31.

Total, \$115.70.

ONEONTA DISTRICT.—Milford, \$5; Oneonta, \$7.25; Westford, \$5.50.

Total, \$12.75.

OWEGO DISTRICT.—Clark's Summit, \$21.75; Kingston, \$36.75; Lackawanna, \$17.85; Nanticoke, \$5.50; Newark Valley, \$11; Owego, \$16.50; Waverly, \$14.50.

Total, \$123.85.

WYOMING DISTRICT.—Nanticoke, \$10.50; Providence, \$10; Scranton: Simpson Church, \$75.75; Jewels, \$13; Elm Park, \$70.15; Jewels, \$3.50; Tunkhannock, \$15.94; Band, \$4.94; West Pittston, \$13.75; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, \$54; Jewels, \$1.70; First Church, \$51.

Total, \$324.23.

*Leaflet Fund*, 75 cents.

Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$862.80.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Binghamton: Chenango Street, \$11.30; Tabernacle, \$15; Norwich, \$5; Jermyn, \$5; Scranton: Simpson Church, \$12.30; Tunkhannock, \$10; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, \$10.

Total, \$68.60.

*Teacher's Salary, Bennett Home.*—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, \$200.

Total, \$200.

*To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Kingston, \$1; Norwich, \$6.50; Tunkhannock, \$9.12.

Total, \$16.62.

*To Navajoes.*—Bethany, \$1.60; Binghamton: Centenary, \$40; Tabernacle, \$25; Nanticoke, \$1.38; West Pittston, \$16; Wilkesbarre: First Church, \$50.

Total, \$133.98.

Total Teacher's Salary, . . . . . \$350.60.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . 419.20.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Asheville.*—Binghamton: High St., voucher, \$8.

Total, \$8.

*Bennett Home.*—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, \$50.

Total, \$50.

*Harwood Home.*—Binghamton: Centenary, \$25.

Total, \$25.

*Kent Home.*—Binghamton: High Street, \$3.

Total, \$3.

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Owego, \$5.

Total, \$5.

<i>New Jersey Home.</i> —Hawley, voucher, \$16.	Total, \$16.
<i>Ritter Home.</i> —Owego, \$40.	Total, \$40.
<i>Thayer Home.</i> —Binghamton: Centenary, \$10.	Total, \$10.
Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . .	\$157.

**Special Fund.**—*Bennett Home.*—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, \$25; Central Church, \$16.75; First Church, \$180; Binghamton: Centenary, \$20; Tabernacle, \$12; Dunmore, \$5.79; Lackawanna, \$2.10; West Pittston, \$14. Total, \$275.64.

*Asheville.*—Binghamton: Tabernacle, \$13.80; Hawley, \$5; Kingston, \$20; Nanticoke, \$5; Tunkhannock, \$5.84; Scranton: Simpson Church, \$25; Wilkesbarre: First Church, \$20; Wyoming Conference, \$9.28. Total, \$103.92.

*Deaconess Homes.*—Buffalo, voucher, \$2. Brooklyn: Westford, \$2.50. Total, \$4.50.

*Rest Home.*—Binghamton: Chenango Street, voucher, \$3; Wilkesbarre: First Church, voucher, \$20. Total, \$23.

*Rust Hall.*—Binghamton: High Street, \$10; Tabernacle, \$40; Carbondale, \$8.25; Hawley, \$10; Oneonta, \$10; Scranton: Elm Park, \$86.14; West Pittston, \$1; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, \$6.95; First Church, \$50. Total, \$222.34.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$629.40.

Grand total, . . . . . 2,068.40.

#### Other Sources.

**General Fund.**—Advertisements in Home Missions, \$8; balance returned to Treasury from E. Rust Home, \$78.67; collection for payment of railroad agent at Baltimore, \$13.75; Conference gatherings through Curts & Jennings, \$195.50; Conference gatherings through Eaton & Mains, \$178.40; Conference gatherings from Washington Conference, \$51; South-west Kansas Conference, \$1; St. Louis German Conference, \$40; Southern Illinois Conference, \$28; Austin Conference, \$4; excess of travel from missionaries, \$36.55; Leaflet Fund, \$2.50; L. W. H. memorial volume, \$2; lunches at Executive Board meeting, \$2.90; Mothers' Jewels, 30 cents; Norwegian and Danish Conferences, \$9; returned to Treasury from Utah, \$99.99; sale of mite-boxes, \$51.18; salaries returned, \$18.75; miscellaneous, 35 cents; excess of taxes, \$40. Total, \$861.84.

Total General Fund, . . . . . \$861.84.

**Special General Fund.**—*Emergency.*—Malden Center, N. Y., Miss W. H. Downing, \$5; Troy, Pa., \$4.56; Mrs. C. F. Paine, \$1; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, \$5; Jewett, New Mexico, \$5; Readfield, Me., \$5; South Chatham, Mass., \$2; Yates, Pa., 50 cents; A. M. Smith Home, \$2. Total, \$30.06.

*Teacher's Salary.*—Salary returned, \$16.65. Total, \$16.65.

Total Special General Fund, . . . . . \$46.71.

**Beneficiary Fund.**—*Boylan Home.*—A friend of Missions, \$50. Total, \$50.

*Harwood Home.*—Bishop McCabe, \$50. Total, \$50.

*E. L. Rust Home.*—Surplus scholarship money, \$64.54. Total, \$64.54.

*New Jersey Home.*—Jerseyville, Ill., 20 cents; Blue Grass, Iowa, \$1; Emma Mettler, Cleveland, O., 50 cents. Total, \$1.70.

*Stickney Home.*—Thousand Island Park, \$53. Total, \$53.

*Miscellaneous.* \$5.25. Total, \$5.25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, . . . . . \$224.49.

**Special Fund.**—*Harwood Home.*—Furnishings: Laura Tinville, Cable, O., \$5. Total, \$5.

*Rust Hall.*—Through Mrs. Worthington, Buffalo, N. Y., \$10. Total, \$10.

Total Special Fund, . . . . . \$15.00.

Grand total, . . . . . 1,148.04.

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUNDS.	SPECIAL GENERAL FUNDS.		BENEFICIARY.	SPECIAL FUND.	TOTALS.	LOCAL WORK.
		Salaries.	Emergency.				
Baltimore.....	\$1,923 33	\$295 44	\$186 50	\$586 56	\$5,428 88	\$8,420 71	\$433 66
California.....	466 91	.....	28 00	1,052 94	2,363 82	3,911 67	222 85
Central Illinois.....	104 80	.....	34 00	47 00	.....	185 80	.....
Central Missouri.....	45 85	.....	5 00	.....	.....	50 85	.....
Central New York.....	1,616 10	.....	256 55	287 79	249 00	2,409 44	.....
Central Ohio.....	1,031 28	346 20	179 00	221 28	362 23	2,140 08	.....
Central Pennsylvania.....	885 57	100 00	101 50	404 52	817 50	2,309 09	104 80
Cincinnati.....	1,704 24	3 50	579 35	311 85	1,300 75	3,900 39	265 34
Colorado.....	386 67	.....	15 00	75 95	862 78	1,274 40	938 85
Columbia River.....	107 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	107 75	.....
Des Moines.....	162 21	.....	37 08	3 55	230 22	433 06	.....
Detroit.....	2,486 32	7 65	139 00	184 41	3,851 24	6,668 62	59 38
East Maine.....	17 00	5 00	.....	.....	45 00	67 00	.....
East Ohio.....	1,447 81	126 65	400 82	494 26	1,057 27	3,526 81	.....
East Tennessee.....	102 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	102 20	.....
Erie.....	1,198 31	310 76	112 58	240 00	79 74	1,941 39	77 54
Florida.....	49 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 25	.....
Genesee.....	1,386 63	5 00	222 60	189 87	888 28	2,692 38	255 40
Holston.....	89 64	.....	30 00	11 00	.....	130 64	.....
Illinois.....	692 59	93 34	137 06	116 40	501 19	1,540 58	.....
Indiana.....	861 74	12 00	104 22	170 70	355 56	1,444 22	.....
Iowa.....	523 97	5 00	33 26	363 55	91 64	1,017 42	.....
Kansas.....	248 85	.....	44 57	177 95	119 26	590 63	.....
Kentucky.....	99 70	.....	20 19	20 00	.....	139 89	.....
Louisiana.....	82 66	.....	5 00	.....	.....	87 66	.....
Maine.....	568 03	5 00	64 35	52 85	14 60	704 83	90 00
Michigan.....	1,031 56	374 83	62 50	285 80	1,018 93	2,773 62	.....
Minnesota.....	252 35	.....	64 69	477 93	15 00	869 97	47 70
Missouri.....	58 95	.....	.....	20 00	10 00	88 95	.....
Nebraska.....	370 10	.....	44 05	90 26	70 52	574 93	.....
Newark.....	1,459 17	5 00	199 50	593 26	1,306 57	3,563 50	732 00
New England.....	1,907 15	20 00	166 50	967 30	521 89	3,582 84	721 54
New England Southern.....	960 19	10 00	155 58	† 241 95	196 25	† 1,593 97	104 25
New Hampshire.....	490 00	5 00	158 85	299 98	7 50	961 33	.....
New Jersey.....	1,300 82	32 25	195 71	125 00	322 15	1,975 93	114 27

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New Mexico English Mission.....	1,083 06	6 00	67 86	21 00	94 86	3 20
New York.....	685 04	132 00	1,181 92	977 00	3,443 98	.....
New York East.....	4 00	44 00	85 00	2,562 14	3,394 18	.....
North Carolina.....	987 27	221 48	176 54	21 50	1,779 39	207 31
North Indiana.....	299 57	51 62	28 81	50 22	439 42	109 70
North Nebraska.....	983 30	147 28	160 96	473 15	1,772 19	.....
North Ohio.....	1,225 55	286 03	320 14	92 29	1,924 01	58 45
Northern New York.....	401 70	120 42	102 50	.....	624 62	.....
Northwest Indiana.....	946 28	153 20	223 60	201 52	1,741 27	.....
Northwest Iowa.....	73 75	18 25	.....	10 00	92 00	.....
Northwest Kansas.....	1,010 77	281 80	345 05	82 50	1,917 82	.....
Northwest Nebraska.....	162 50	217 90	.....	1 00	381 40	.....
Ohio.....	207 91	58 93	90 68	5,151 13	357 52	.....
Oklahoma.....	1,045 76	102 00	220 00	1,041 43	6,720 89	.....
Oregon.....	1,051 47	211 73	255 00	2,355 96	2,571 63	626 38
Philadelphia.....	147 30	6 00	78 22	.....	231 52	48 35
Pittsburg.....	1,028 18	123 47	75 00	.....	3,582 63	.....
Puget Sound.....	139 25	.....	.....	.....	139 25	.....
Rock River.....	39 25	.....	.....	.....	39 25	.....
St. Louis.....	79 20	11 42	.....	.....	90 62	.....
South Carolina.....	1,034 08	38 00	206 00	2,800 56	4,129 39	.....
South Kansas.....	374 14	79 25	25 69	86 14	761 72	47 18
Southern California.....	1,495 13	225 15	416 00	578 02	2,805 80	126 05
Southwest Kansas.....	845 47	127 10	80 00	301 88	1,596 28	169 30
Troy.....	125 09	21 00	.....	8 75	154 54	.....
Upper Iowa.....	325 94	86 20	122 13	54 35	594 12	.....
Utah.....	18 25	.....	.....	.....	18 25	.....
Vermont.....	55 25	2 30	.....	50 00	107 55	.....
Virginia.....	47 10	.....	.....	41 10	88 20	.....
West Nebraska.....	11 00	25 00	10 00	.....	46 00	.....
West Texas.....	223 85	48 40	.....	67 67	339 92	200 33
West Virginia.....	625 04	198 58	155 75	223 00	1,217 37	.....
Wisconsin.....	143 75	35 00	.....	.....	178 75	.....
Wisconsin.....	862 80	268 60	157 00	629 40	2,068 40	160 43
Wyoming.....	861 84	30 06	224 49	15 00	1,138 04	.....
Other Sources.....	12,806 70	.....	.....	.....	12,806 70	.....
Bequests *.....	2,550 00	.....	.....	.....	2,550 00	.....
Annuities.....	\$60,060 94	\$6,943 28	\$12,922 25	\$39,934 50	\$123,705 58	.....
Loans.....	6,600 00	.....	.....	.....	6,600 00	.....
Total.....	\$66,660 94	\$6,943 28	\$12,922 25	\$39,934 50	\$130,305 58	\$5,924 26

\* \$375 of Bequest Funds appear in Beneficiary and Special Funds.

† \$40 received by voucher should be added.

## EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR.

## Salaries, Travel, Current Expenses, Beneficiary Aid, and Special Funds.

## SOUTHERN WORK.

*Allen Industrial Home and School, Asheville, N. C.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$1,082 25	
Travel, . . . . .	168 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	100 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	363 69	
Special Fund, . . . . .	1,786 20	
		\$3,500 14
Self-help, Board, \$342.33; Tuition, \$236.82, . . . .		579 15

*Bennett Home and School, Clarkson, Miss.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$780 03	
Travel, . . . . .	119 51	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	292 30	
Special Fund, . . . . .	316 89	
		1,508 73
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		679 50

*Boylan Home and School, Jacksonville, Fla.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$1,305 00	
Travel, . . . . .	269 60	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	370 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	429 75	
Special Fund, . . . . .	20 00	
		2,394 35
Self-help, Board, \$1,070.50; Tuition, \$819.35, . . .		1,889 85

*Browning Home and School, Camden, S. C.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$1,280 00	
Travel, . . . . .	278 34	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	243 50	
Special Fund, . . . . .	141 00	
		1,942 84
Self-help, Board, \$410.25; Tuition, \$407.72, . . . .		817 97

*Emerson Home and School, Ocala, Fla.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$640 00	
Travel, . . . . .	154 50	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	125 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	138 65	
		1,058 15
Self-help, Board, \$441.49; Tuition, \$117.30; Sewing-room, \$24.24, . . . . .		583 03

*Haven Home and School, Savannah, Ga.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$1,360 00	
Travel, . . . . .	91 87	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	540 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	265 76	
Special Fund, . . . . .	131 51	
	<hr/>	\$2,389 14
Self-help, Board, \$804.25; Tuition, \$372.20, . . . .		1,176 45

*Italian Work, New Orleans, La.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$644 00	
Travel, . . . . .	67 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	134 00	
	<hr/>	845 00

*Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$359 00	
Travel, . . . . .	57 82	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	25 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	115 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	11 00	
	<hr/>	567 82
Self-help, Board, \$155; Sale of Garments, \$12.11; Gifts, \$50.50, . . . . .		217 61

*King Home, Marshall, Texas:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$613 32	
Travel, . . . . .	106 70	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	150 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	200 00	
	<hr/>	1,070 02
Self-help, Board, etc., \$1,218.82; Sale of Gar- ments, \$99.57, . . . . .		1,318 39

*New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$536 04	
Travel, . . . . .	51 53	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	70 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	289 25	
Special Fund, . . . . .	125 00	
	<hr/>	1,071 82
Self-help, Board, \$508.36; Sale of Garments, \$12.61; Gifts, \$25, . . . . .		545 97

*Peck Home, New Orleans, La.:*

Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	\$6 00	6 00
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*Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$565 00	
Travel, . . . . .	60 20	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	1,412 94	
Special Fund, . . . . .	1 00	
	<hr/>	2,039 14
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		936 43



*E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$746 05	
Travel, . . . . .	72 72	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	125 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	182 79	
	<hr/>	\$1,126 56
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		680 25

*Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$489 65	
Travel, . . . . .	111 60	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	135 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	240 50	
Special Fund, . . . . .	20 00	
	<hr/>	996 75
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		519 00

*A. M. Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$462 00	
Travel, . . . . .	22 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	200 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	73 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	25 00	
	<hr/>	782 00
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		393 00

*Mary Haven Home, Isle of Hope, Ga.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$320 00	
Travel, . . . . .	54 50	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	175 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	102 10	
	<hr/>	651 60
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		55 00

*Thayer Home, South Atlanta, Ga.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$709 25	
Travel, . . . . .	69 25	
Current Expenses and Building, . . . . .	600 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	302 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	54 50	
	<hr/>	1,735 00
Self-help, Board, . . . . .		981 87

*Utah Work:*

Salaries and Travel, . . . . .	\$2,085 82	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	207 50	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	32 82	
Special Fund, . . . . .	14 50	
	<hr/>	2,340 64

*Spanish Work—New Mexico:*

Las Cruces—Salaries, . . . . .	\$480 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	6 00	
	<hr/>	486 00
Las Vegas—Salaries, . . . . .	\$480 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	98 83	
	<hr/>	578 83

*Spanish Work—Harwood Home, Albuquerque:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$920 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	15 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	426 36	
Special Fund, . . . . .	173 80	
	<hr/>	\$1,535 16
Self-help, Tuition, \$184.50; Gifts, \$6.50, . . . . .		191 00

*Indian Work—Dulce, N. M.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$1,140 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	101 16	
Special Fund, . . . . .	389 00	
	<hr/>	1,630 16
Self-help, Board, \$313; Other Sources, \$201.50, . . . . .		514 50

*Indian Work—(Navajos) Jewett, N. M.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$700 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	150 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	51 81	
	<hr/>	901 81

*Indian Work, Frontier—Ponca, Okla.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$390 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	40 40	
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*Indian Work—Pawhuska, Okla.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$510 00	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	71 30	
	<hr/>	581 30

*Stickney Home, Lynden, Wash.:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$540 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	550 86	
	<hr/>	1,090 86

*Yakima Indian Agency, Ft. Simcoe, Wash.:*

Salary and Travel, . . . . .	\$504 70	
Current Expenses, . . . . .	50 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	127 09	
	<hr/>	681 79

*Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska:*

Salaries, . . . . .	\$755 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	913 26	
Special Fund, . . . . .	7 10	
	<hr/>	1,675 36
Self-help, Collections and Donations, \$424.68; Board, \$108, . . . . .		532 68

*Immigrant Home, New York:*

Salaries and Current Expenses, . . . . .	\$1,928 25	
Rent (extra), . . . . .	1,250 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	33 75	
	<hr/>	3,212 00
Self-help, Board and lodging, \$1,110.55; Donations, \$36.25, . . . . .		1,146 80

*Immigrant Home, Philadelphia, Pa.:*

Salaries and Current Expenses, . . . . .	\$375 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	188 00	
		\$563 00

*Immigrant Home, Boston, Mass.:*

Salaries and Current Expenses, . . . . .	\$1,188 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	262 06	
		1,450 06
Self-help, Income from Home, . . . . .		231 25

*Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.:*

Salaries and Current Expenses, . . . . .	\$3,265 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	1,437 67	
Special Fund, . . . . .	275 00	
		4,977 67
Self-help, Farm and Garden and Cold Storage, . .		1,048 85

*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Washington, D. C.:*

Salary of Superintendent and General Expenses, .	\$3,676 47	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	1,010 74	
Special Fund, . . . . .	1,711 43	
		6,398 64
Local Receipts, . . . . .		419 15

*Sibley Hospital:*

Special Fund, . . . . .	\$834 37	
General Fund, . . . . .	1,000 00	
		1,834 37

*Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.:*

Salary of Superintendent and General Expenses, .	\$4,558 27	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	552 09	
Special Fund, . . . . .	352 57	
		5,462 93
Self-help, Products of Farm, . . . . .		2,029 05

*Glenn Home, Cincinnati, O.:*

Current Expenses, . . . . .	\$75 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	1,033 25	
		1,108 25
Self-help, Boarders, . . . . .		892 42

*E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.:*

General Fund (voucher), . . . . .	\$971 46	
Special Fund (voucher), . . . . .	2,471 23	
		3,442 69

*Oriental Work—San Francisco:*

General Expenses, . . . . .	\$1,500 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	1,372 99	
		2,872 99

*Oriental Work—Southern California:*

General Expenses, . . . . .	\$300 00	
Beneficiary Aid, . . . . .	161 00	
Special Fund, . . . . .	86 00	
		547 00

*Frontier Work:*

General Fund, . . . . .	\$2,564 04	
Special Fund, . . . . .	3,669 41	
	<u>          </u>	\$6,233 45

*Ukiah Mission, California:*

Salary, . . . . .	\$80 00	80 00
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*Pawnee Mission, Oklahoma:*

Salary, . . . . .	\$75 01	75 01
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*Key West—Spanish Work:*

Salary, . . . . .	\$90 00	90 00
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*\*Deaconess Work:*

From General Fund, . . . . .	\$2,571 07	
" Special " . . . . .	23,223 38	
	<u>          </u>	25,794 45

*Literature and Printing Accounts:*

Woman's Home Missions, . . . . .	\$112 00	
Children's " . . . . .	116 87	
Leaflet Account, . . . . .	617 93	
General Printing Account, . . . . .	1,950 85	
	<u>          </u>	2,797 65

*Notes, Interest, Insurance, and Taxes:*

Bills Payable (Notes), . . . . .	\$17,850 00	
Interest on Notes, . . . . .	1,810 85	
" " Annuities, . . . . .	90 00	
" " Nashville Claim, . . . . .	15 00	
Insurance, . . . . .	1,290 97	
Taxes, . . . . .	32 56	
	<u>          </u>	21,089 38

*Organizer's Account:*

General Organizers, . . . . .	\$308 75	
Conference " . . . . .	899 01	
	<u>          </u>	1,207 76

*Offices' Expenses:*

Cincinnati, Ohio, . . . . .	\$1,526 50	
Delaware, Ohio, . . . . .	1,212 78	
New York, . . . . .	678 47	
	<u>          </u>	3,417 75

*Miscellaneous Account:*

Attorney's Fees, . . . . .	\$366 25	
Field Secretary's Salary and Expenses, . . . . .	494 36	
Bureau Secretaries, . . . . .	464 85	
Miscellaneous, . . . . .	1,832 12	
	<u>          </u>	3,157 58

Total Amount Expended, . . . . .	\$131,430 00	
Balance in Treasury July 31, 1898, . . . . .	3,733 85	

\$135,163 85

\* This item covers only the Deaconess funds that have passed through the general treasury. More or less of the income of each Home is received and disbursed by a local board. For a complete financial report of Deaconess work, as made by the local boards, see "Financial Report of Deaconess Homes."

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

*Receipts:*

Balance from last year, . . . . .	\$4,858 27
General Fund, . . . . .	55,502 13
Annuities, . . . . .	2,550 00
Bequests, . . . . .	12,806 70
Beneficiary Fund, . . . . .	12,922 25
Special Fund, . . . . .	39,924 50
Bills Payable, . . . . .	6,600 00
	\$135,163 85

*Expenditures:*

General Fund, . . . . .	\$64,647 29
Beneficiary Fund, . . . . .	11,415 85
Special Fund, . . . . .	37,516 86
Bills Payable, . . . . .	17,850 00
Balance Forward to August 1, 1898, . . . . .	3,733 85
	\$135,163 85

Amount Expended in Local Work, . . . . .	\$5,924 26
Amount of Board and Tuition Received and Expended in Homes, . . . . .	17,486 75

*Assets:**Estimated Value of Buildings and Grounds:*

Southern States, . . . . .	\$146,300 00
Utah, exclusive of Deaconess property at Salt Lake, . . . . .	12,300 00
New Mexico and Oklahoma, . . . . .	15,000 00
Pacific Slope, . . . . .	12,000 00
City Missions, . . . . .	131,300 00
Deaconess Homes, . . . . .	178,800 00
Total, . . . . .	\$495,700 00

Invested Endowment Funds, . . . . .	14,461 57
Invested Annuity Funds, . . . . .	425 00
Cash Balance, . . . . .	3,733 85
Total, . . . . .	\$514,320 42

*Liabilities:*

Loans, . . . . .	\$18,603 32
Endowment Funds, . . . . .	4,972 97
Annuity Funds, . . . . .	3,705 00
Total, . . . . .	\$27,281 29

*List of the Bequests Received during the Year 1897-98:*

Estate of John Wise, Wilmington, Delaware, . . . . .	\$500 00
" " Mrs. J. A. Jacokes, Pontiac, Mich., . . . . .	500 00
" " Mrs. Sarah Monroe, Joliet, Ill., . . . . .	150 00
" " Sarah A. L. Palmer, New York, . . . . .	4,192 69
" " Ann E. Jones, Delaware, Ohio, . . . . .	1,047 97
" " Miss Russell, . . . . .	500 00
" " Belinda H. Dunton, Winona, Minn., . . . . .	940 20
" " Sarah M. Murray, Jacksonville, Ill., . . . . .	147 09
" " Catherine Childs, Albion, N. Y., . . . . .	100 00
" " Mrs. Smithers, Gallipolis, Ohio, . . . . .	770 00
" " John H. Schultz, Morristown, Pa., . . . . .	189 00
" " Miss M. A. Derby, York, Maine, . . . . .	494 75
" " Martha Amidon, Syracuse, N. Y., . . . . .	1,900 00
" " Emma Hammersley, . . . . .	1,000 00
" " Lucy A. Williams, Pittsfield, Ill., . . . . .	950 00
Total, . . . . .	\$13,381 70

*Annuity and Endowment Funds:*

The Annuity Funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are the donations from elderly people, who stipulate that they shall receive, during their lifetime, an annual interest on the amount given. The Funds so held by the Society are as follows:

From a Friend, . . . . .	\$1,500 00
Mrs. Thirsa Baker, Jamestown, Ohio, . . . . .	425 00
Miss Barbara Sutch, New Florence, Pa., . . . . .	1,000 00
Miss Martha Van Marter, New York, . . . . .	1,000 00
Miss Hattie E. Brooks, Colfax, Mich., . . . . .	50 00
Mrs. Jennie E. Alger, Brockton, Mass., . . . . .	155 00
Total, . . . . .	\$4,130 00

Endowment Funds are gifts to the Society upon which the Society agrees to pay in perpetuity an annual interest for the support of some object named by the donor. These Funds are as follows:

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, . . . . .	\$333 00
Thayer Home, . . . . .	667 00
Ritter Home, . . . . .	2,747 00
Transferred from Credits to Ritter Home, . . . . .	1,500 00
Wilmington Conference, . . . . .	425 00
* Baltimore Deaconess Home, . . . . .	2,200 00
* Brooklyn Deaconess Home, . . . . .	10,000 00
* Philadelphia Deaconess Home, . . . . .	761 57
* San Francisco Deaconess Home, . . . . .	800 00
Total, . . . . .	\$19,434 54

\* These Funds are held and administered by Local Boards for the especial work of the Homes named.

## REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

*To the President and Board of Managers:*

THE undersigned, who were duly appointed to examine the accounts and funds of the Treasurer's office, respectfully report that—

1. They have looked through all the books, accounts, and vouchers for the fiscal year ending August 1, 1898.

2. They find the cash receipts, payments, vouchers, and cash in hand to harmonize with the books and various accounts.

3. A considerable portion of the business passing through the Treasurer's office is by voucher only, not always exact or in form, and occasionally impossible to harmonize with the footings. But that does not imply any error in the cash or accounts of the Treasurer's office.

4. The methods of keeping the books and the execution of the same are good, and have the commendation of your Committee, and the Society is to be congratulated upon having such faithful and efficient servants.

5. Your Committee respectfully repeat their recommendations in Item 14 of their report for 1897.

(a) All debts or overdrafts of Special Funds from General Fund account that are uncollectible shall be canceled, and not carried forward to account of the new fiscal year.

(b) Any surplus of appropriation not used during the fiscal year shall revert to the treasury, and a new appropriation be made in the future for that part of the work when needed.

(c) Balances of Credits to Special Funds not used during the fiscal year may be used the following year towards paying salaries of the missionaries in the work of the same Home.

6. The Committee also recommend that if appropriation from General Fund Account is overdrawn, and a balance stands to credit of Special Fund Account of same institution, then enough of the Special Fund shall be held back by the Treasurer until the overdrafts aforesaid are made good.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MRS. GEORGE H. THOMPSON,  
MRS. JAMES DALE,  
RICHARD DYMOND,

October 8, 1898.

*Auditing Committee.*

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF DEACONESS HOMES

## Under the Supervision of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

There are no receipts reported corresponding to disbursements marked thus, \* It is therefore not counted in the totals.

*Baltimore:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$985 38	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . .	2,420 83	
Interest on Bequest, . . . . .	65 14	
	<u>\$3,471 35</u>	
Disbursements, . . . . .	2,117 77	
Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		\$1,353 58

*Bancroft, Rust Home:*

Disbursements, . . . . .		*914 50
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*Brooklyn:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$4,241 87	
Endowment Received by Bequest, . . . . .	10,000 00	
	<u>\$14,241 87</u>	
Disbursements, . . . . .	4,241 87	
Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		10,000 00

*Buffalo:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$1,049 34	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . .	2,548 34	
	<u>\$3,597 68</u>	
Disbursements, . . . . .	2,881 34	
Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		716 34

*Cleveland:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .		
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . .		
Disbursements, . . . . .		*2,067 08
Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		



*Denver:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$326 01	
Deficit, . . . . .	25 19	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$351 20	
	351 20	

*Des Moines:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$22 11	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	1,333 82	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$1,355 93	
	1,289 91	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		66 02

*Detroit:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$2,068 86	
Loan, . . . . .	437 70	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$2,506 56	
	2,506 56	

*Grand Rapids:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$36 06	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	967 61	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$1,003 67	
	989 15	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		14 52

*Jersey City:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$706 95	
Disbursements, . . . . .	653 39	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		53 56

*Knoxville:*

Disbursements, . . . . .		*280 90
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*Los Angeles and Pasadena:*

Receipts—Balance from last year, . . . . .	\$63 53	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	717 81	
Bequest, . . . . .	168 00	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$949 34	
	924 72	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		24 62

*Mt. Carmel:*

Receipts—Collections and other Sources, . . . . .	\$479 18	
Disbursements, . . . . .	442 38	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		36 80

*Philadelphia:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$4,693 24	
Bequest of Miss M. Hansel, . . . . .	475 00	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$5,168 24	5,168 24

*Pittsburg:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$112. 80	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	1,744 95	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$1,857 75	
	1,788 24	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		69 51

*San Francisco:*

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$56 90	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	1,124 82	
Students' Board, . . . . .	821 00	
Interest on Sims bequest, . . . . .	72 00	
Scholarship Fund, . . . . .	335 00	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$2,409 72	
	2,340 97	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		68 75

*Shamokin:*

Disbursements, . . . . .		*307 00
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*Urbana, Ill.:*

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources, . . . . .	\$1,446 98	
Bequest, . . . . .	5,000 00	
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Disbursements, . . . . .	\$6,446 98	
	1,170 22	
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Balance to August 1, 1898, . . . . .		5,276 76

Total Receipts, . . . . .	\$44,552 42	
Total Disbursements, . . . . .	26,871 96	
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Balance in Treasury August 1, 1898, . . . . .		\$17,680 56

## VALUATION OF PROPERTY OF THE DEACONESS HOMES,

## ALLIED WITH THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

(This property is in most instances held by Local Boards.)

	ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Aldrich Memorial .....	\$15,000 00	.....
Baltimore: Real Estate, \$7,200; Personalty, \$900; Endowment, \$3,500.....	11,600 00	.....
Bancroft Rest Home: Real Estate.....	10,838 00	\$6,975 00
Brooklyn: Real Estate,* \$25,000; Personalty, \$2,000; Endowment, \$10,000.....	37,000 00	.....
Buffalo: Real Estate, \$12,000; Personalty, \$2,000.....	14,000 00	3,000 00
Cleveland: Real Estate, \$10,000; Personalty, \$1,200.....	11,200 00	.....
Cunningham: Real Estate, \$15,000; Personalty, \$1,000; Cash, \$6,446.22.....	22,446 22	800 00
Denver: Personalty.....	350 00	.....
Detroit: Real Estate, \$10,000; Personalty, \$800.....	10,800 00	5,000 00
Des Moines: Real Estate, \$4,000; Personalty, \$1,000.....	5,000 00	875 00
Knoxville: Personalty.....	200 00	.....
Los Angeles: Personalty.....	300 00	.....
Newark: Personalty.....	400 00	.....
Philadelphia: Real Estate, \$22,000; Personalty, \$3,000; Endowment, \$761.57.....	25,761 57	.....
Pittsburg: Real Estate, \$10,500; Personalty, \$3,000.....	13,500 00	.....
Salt Lake City: Real Estate.....	5 000 00	.....
San Francisco: Personalty, \$500; Endowment, \$1,000.....	1,500 00	.....
Sibley Memorial Hospital: Real Estate, \$10,000; Personalty, \$1,000.....	11,000 00	.....
Washington: Deaconess Home and Training school.....	40,262 00	8,000 00
Wichita: Personalty.....	300 00	.....
Wilmington, Delaware.....	300 00	.....
Total.....	\$236,757 79	\$24,650 00
Excess of Assets.....	\$212,107 79	.....

\* The title of this real estate is held by the Brooklyn Church Extension Society.

## BUREAU FOR SUPPLIES.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore, . . . . .	\$1,973 45	New York East, . . . . .	\$2,515 15
California, . . . . .	3,324 33	North Indiana, . . . . .	1,955 03
Central Illinois, . . . . .	1,715 32	North Nebraska, . . . . .	610 72
Central New York, . . . . .	2,439 54	North Ohio, . . . . .	1,631 71
Central Ohio, . . . . .	879 29	Northern New York, . . . . .	1,804 52
Central Pennsylvania, . . . . .	1,695 32	Northwest Indiana, . . . . .	259 92
Cincinnati, . . . . .	1,768 28	Northwest Iowa, . . . . .	206 30
Colorado, . . . . .	1,053 61	Ohio, . . . . .	1,267 81
Detroit, . . . . .	1,733 66	Oregon, . . . . .	300 00
East Ohio, . . . . .	1,930 07	Philadelphia, . . . . .	1,528 79
Erie, . . . . .	1,965 30	Pittsburg, . . . . .	2,537 61
Genesee, . . . . .	4,190 17	Rock River, . . . . .	1,565 77
Illinois, . . . . .	1,116 93	St. Louis, . . . . .	106 50
Indiana, . . . . .	719 84	South Kansas, . . . . .	73 05
Iowa, . . . . .	505 87	Troy, . . . . .	1,719 17
Kansas, . . . . .	483 71	Upper Iowa, . . . . .	1,125 39
Kentucky, . . . . .	75 30	Vermont, . . . . .	900 00
Maine, . . . . .	693 00	West Wisconsin, . . . . .	88 85
Minnesota, . . . . .	477 50	Wilmington, . . . . .	561 38
Missouri, . . . . .	128 83	Wyoming, . . . . .	1,339 84
Newark, . . . . .	1,729 48	Las Vegas, New Mexico, . . . . .	7 55
New England, . . . . .	2,576 04	A friend, for sick ministers	75 00
New England Southern, . . . . .	949 95	Not classified, . . . . .	121 48
New Hampshire, . . . . .	703 86	Vouchers from Treasurer, . . . . .	172 78
New Jersey, . . . . .	2,534 55		
New York, . . . . .	4,450 28	Total, . . . . .	\$64,287 80

Mrs. JAMES DALE, *Secretary.*

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CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
Woman's Home Missionary Society  
OF THE  
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

**ARTICLE I.—Name.**

THIS organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**ARTICLE II.—Objects.**

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

**ARTICLE III.—Organization.**

**SECTION 1.** The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

**SEC. 2.** The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

**SEC. 3.** The work of the annual session shall be:

(1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.  
(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission-fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the Conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the Conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with this Constitution.

**SEC. 4.** In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring *ad interim*, the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

**SEC. 5.** The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

- (1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.
- (2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.
- (3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

#### ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-President, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be selected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-Presidents, Managers, and Treasurer in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-Presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Exec-



present Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to submit an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

**SEC. 5.—Special Work.**—Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

### ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

**SECTION 1.** Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

**SEC. 2.** Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

### ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

### ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

**SECTION 1.** This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

**a.** The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**b.** The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

**c.** All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

**SEC. 2.** The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

### ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a three-months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

## BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

### I

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

1. THE President and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, and announce the time and place of the meeting in the Church papers.

3. All Officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot, in open session.

4. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

### II.

#### BUREAUS.

1. The mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Georgia; (2) Florida; (3) East Central States; (4) West Central States; (5) Mississippi; (6) West Southern States; (7) Texas; (8) Utah; (9) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (10) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (11) Indian and Frontier Work; (12) Alaska; (13) Immigrants; (14) Deaconess; (15) Orientals; (16) Mission Supplies; (17) Young People's Work; (18) Local Missionary Work; (19) Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle; (20) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

10. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

11. The Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work shall supervise the work of the Society in Frontier States and Territories not included in other Bureaus.

12. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

13. The duty of the Bureau for Deaconess Work shall be the organization and the supervision of such Training-schools and Deaconess Homes as are under the auspices of the Society, and the appointment of Deaconesses to fields of labor.

(1.) This Bureau consists of its Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, its Executive Committee, its Advisory Council, the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and two ladies from each locality where the Deaconess Home is established.

(2.) There shall be a General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who may be the President of the National Training-school. The Superintendent shall be nominated by the Deaconess Bureau and elected by the General Board of Managers, and shall co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the management of the work; shall receive quarterly the reports from the several Homes, keep on file a full statement of the condition and work of these Homes, and endeavor to establish helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school.

(3.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as Deaconesses, under the auspices of the W. H. M. S., the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(4.) No promise of life support shall be made to those, who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

(5.) Any such Deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of \$200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

(6.) The Executive Committee of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall report the work of the Home annually through its delegate.

(7.) The Board of Management of each Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall secure that a report, as per blank furnished by the Deaconess Bureau, be sent quarterly on dates corresponding to the divisions of the fiscal year of the Society, to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and to the General Corresponding Secretary.

(8.) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be

eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(9.) Cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Management shall have the right to retain half the membership dues of the Auxiliaries located therein, and the receipt of the Conference Treasurer will be received and credited by the General Treasurer for the same.

(10.) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

14. The Bureau for Orientals shall supervise the work of the Society among the Oriental peoples on the Pacific Coast.

15. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

16. It shall be the duty of the Bureau for Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Ladies and Juvenile Societies, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

17. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall supervise the mission work in our large cities and towns, as begun or carried forward by our Auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors, and Official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.

18. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees through the Secretary of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

19. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

20. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through the authorized channels in the Bureau for Supplies.

21. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, shall supervise the preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

22. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

23. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the General Executive Board, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

24. The Secretaries of the Bureaus of Supplies, of Local Missionary Work, of Young People's Work, of Home Missionary Reading Circle, of Immigrants, and of Deaconess Work, may nominate the members of their Bureaus, who shall be elected by the General Executive Board.

### III.

#### FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. **Auxiliary Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer

shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. **Conference Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, Sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.

4. **General Executive Board.**—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of October, January, April, and July.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer, and whenever held by either of these officers, shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year), carefully-prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

#### IV.

##### BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work.

as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1.) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2.) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

## V.

### MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a Committee on Leaflets, appointed by the Board of Trustees, to furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields, and literature in leaflet form, that will help Auxiliaries sustain their interest in our work, and upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings, as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence.

2. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees, as will be of interest to the society or to the general public.

## VI.

### MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

(1.) Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home Missionary?

(2.) Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

(3.) Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

(4.) When and where were you born?

(5.) What are your domestic relations and obligations?

(6.) Have you a thorough English education?

(7.) In what schools have you taught, and how long?

(8.) Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?

(9.) Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

(10.) Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking?

(11.) Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1.) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2.) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3.) Good health; (4.) Education and fitness;

(5.) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6.) Aptness to teach.

(2.) Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

(3.) The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

(4.) When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission-field.

(5.) The Board of Trustees at its quarterly-meeting in April shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year, and appoint them for the coming year.

(6.) A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees, and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed \$40 per month.

## VII.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

1. Young persons over sixteen years of age may be organized into Mission Circles under the general rules governing Ladies' Auxiliaries, with a membership fee of not less than fifty cents per annum. They may be under the direction of an older person, and they are recommended to choose a special name.

2. Young persons under sixteen may be organized into Juvenile Bands under the Constitution already provided.

3. Children under ten years of age may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.

## VIII.

### AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers; due notice of changes having been given during the first three days of such meeting.

## BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[NOTE.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.

3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committees at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

4. At the quarterly-meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This committee shall report all its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1.) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3.) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4.) Reports of Special Committees; (5.) Unfinished business; (6.) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7.) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1.) Business; (2.) Scholarships; (3.) Missionary Candidates; (4.) Annual Meeting; (5.) Publication; (6.) Leaflets; (7.) "Woman's Home Missions;" (8.) Transportation; (9.) Mite-boxes; (10.) Bequest and Devise; (11.) Insurance; (12.) Thank-offering; (13.) Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting on the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

## BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. THE President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it, and shall also determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, and of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

3. Order of Business: (1.) Devotional exercises; (2.) Introduction of delegates; (3.) Appointment of committees; (4.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5.) Report of Treasurer; (6.) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7.) Reports of District Officers; (8.) Reports of committees; (9.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (10.) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1.) Annual Meeting; (2.) By-laws; (3.) Woman's Home Missions.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The officers shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference.

8. Every Auxiliary Society and Young Woman's Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, and fraction thereof, provided that no Auxiliary shall be without a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.



9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the presiding elder and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Local Work, and a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also elect a Manager for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ——— on the — of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective organizers.

20. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

21. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

22. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the — of —, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

## CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold only the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

ART. 7. Amendments to this Constitution can be made under the provisions of No. 23, By-laws for Conference Societies.

## CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, and 10 cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

## BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of *Woman's Home Missions* and *Annual Reports* for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

### 7. ORDER OF EXERCISES FOR MONTHLY MEETING :

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| (1.) Devotional Exercises.              | (5.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. |
| (2.) Reading and approval of Minutes    | (6.) Unfinished business.               |
| (3.) Reports from members of work done. | (7.) Miscellaneous business.            |
| (4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing.   | (8.) Adjournment.                       |

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

11. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

## CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the Young Woman's Society of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people

of the Church in missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our own country.

ART. 3. Any young person fourteen years of age or over, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Society, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Society.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, together with the Conference and District Secretaries for Young People, as advisory, by correspondence or otherwise, shall constitute an Executive Committee to conduct the work of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society shall be held \_\_\_\_\_ of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, when Annual reports shall be read, and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

### BY-LAWS FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Society, solicit subscriptions to our papers, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Society.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6. There shall be two Standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary Program, and the other to provide music for the meetings.

7. Young Woman's Societies may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Society may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.

8. Each member of the Society shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

9. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

10. These By-laws can be changed or amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

### CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the \_\_\_\_\_ Mission Band of \_\_\_\_\_ Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth

of the Church in missionary work in our own land; and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—SEC. 1. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-school supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work it may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society may have affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society only by contributing directly to its work in the mission fields, and can only have credit in the reports of the General Society for money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers shall be held on ———.

SEC. 6. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

## BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. THE meetings of this Society shall be held on ——— of every ———.

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

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| (1.) Devotional Exercises.              | (5.) Report of Bands.                       |
| (2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.   | (6.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business. |
| (3.) Report of Treasurer.               | (7.) Program.                               |
| (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. | (8.) Adjournment.                           |

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

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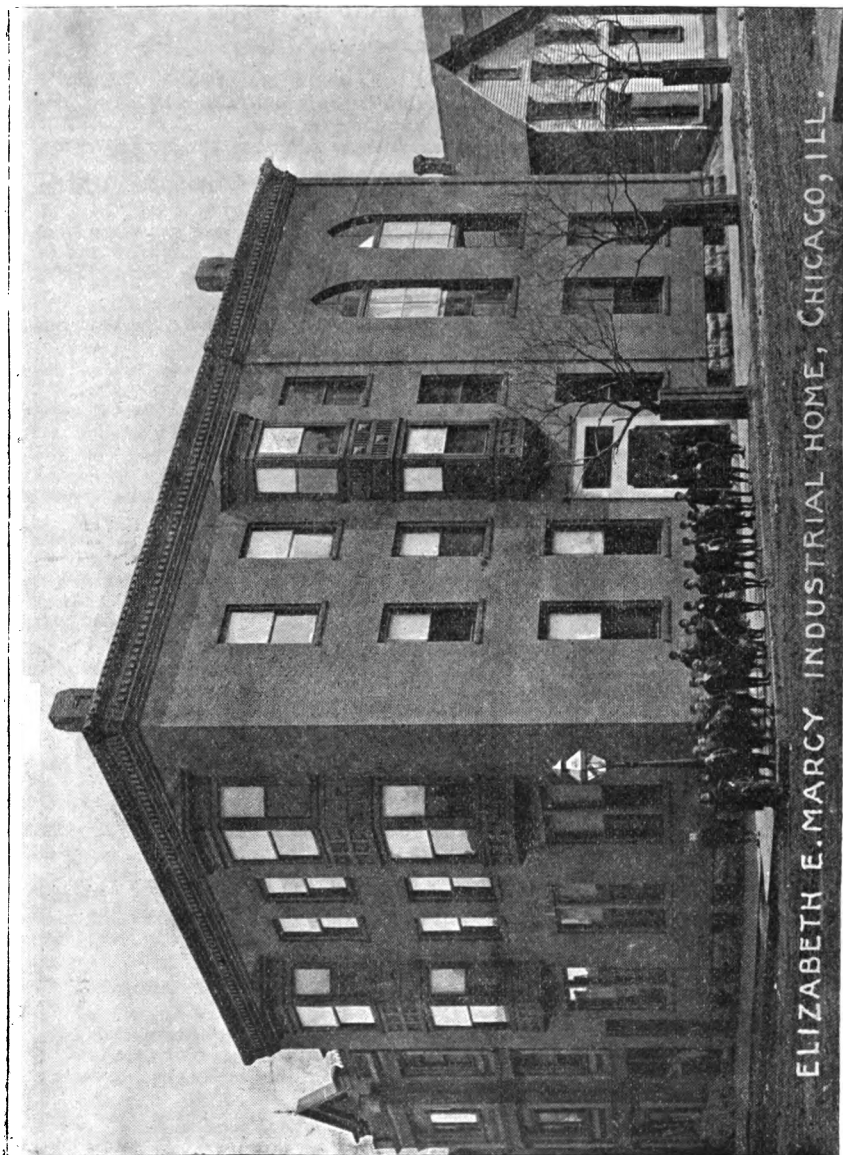
### FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

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**BEQUEST—(Personal Estate)**—*I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of..... and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

**DEVISE—(Real Estate)**—*I give and devise to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say:....., to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.*

**NOTE.**—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.



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